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To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

In certain Anecdotes of the Life of Dr. Priestley, annexed to a Funeral Sermon on his death, published by his brother, the Rev. Timothy Priestley, I find an account of a conference, held at Warrington, between the writer and the tutor in Divinity at the academy there. The only tutor in divinity at Warrington, during Dr. Priestley's residence at the academy, and for many years after, was the Rev. Dr. Aikin, to whom, therefore, the anecdote must be referred. Mr. Priestley's narrative is as follows:—

"One time, when he was at Warrington, the tutor in divinity, my brother, and me, spent an afternoon together. The conversation turned upon those surprising changes we had known in several, who had been, like his uncle, brought to embrace religion in the space of a few hours; and how those lived happily, and at death triumphed over the king of terrors.

"The tutor was remarkably affected, and, turning to my brother, said—'If these things are true, this is something more than philosophy.' My brother answered—'True: if ever God had a people under the heavens, the persons alluded to were men of God.' My brother being called over the way to meet some gentlemen, desired me to stay with the tutor till he came again. By the time he had got out of the room, the tutor wished me to answer any question he chose. I answered, the more freedom, the more pleasing to me. After answering several questions, I asked him, if he thought sentiments like his were calculated to help a man to face a holy God? He burst into a flood of tears, and, crossing the room, lay his head on my right knee, (for he sat on a bofet): he wept exceedingly. After some time he recovered himself, and said—'Christ God! Christ God! I cannot believe it, and fear I shall never die like a Christian.'

Regard to my father's memory will not suffer me to leave unnoticed such an aspersion on his character, although conveyed in a vehicle of vulgarity and in-

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coherence. Many are living who have been his pupils, and who were intimately acquainted with his manners and sentiments; and I appeal to them all, whether the words and actions here ascribed to him, be not totally repugnant to every idea they have formed of him. My father was a man of sound judgment, of composed feelings, of strict propriety of behaviour, a sincere and sedulous inquirer after truth, and most fair and candid in the statement of his opinions. He never, to the close of his life, gave the least indication of compunction or regret for the doctrines which his reason had persuaded him to believe, and his office had led him to teach; and few men had less cause to fear "to face a holy God." I do not hesitate, therefore, to pronounce Mr. Priestley's account of his conversation with the Divinity-tutor at Warrington, either altogether a fiction, or at least a gross misrepresentation. It has all the marks of one of those miscalled *pious frauds*, which men of more zeal than honesty have in all ages been too apt to employ in support of their tenets. I have a distinct recollection of his visit to his brother at Warrington, and of the impression he left behind him there, which was that of wonder that such a man could be the brother of Dr. Priestley. I am, Sir,

Your's, &c. J. AIKIN.
Stoke Newington, June 15, 1804.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

IT may seem worthy of remark, that the Julian Star, mentioned by so many Roman authors, approximated, in point of time, to the natal star of Christ, which directed the Eastern Magi to his birthplace, and that it likewise possessed an indirect similarity in its assigned designation; since the one was considered by the Romans, as denoting the reception of a mortal into the number of their deities; and the other manifested to the Gentiles the appearance of a divine person upon earth.

In a note upon the "Julium Sidus," in the edition of Horace *in usum Delphini*,

the annotator indeed conjectures, that this extraordinary luminary might have been appointed to predict the nativity of Christ. His words are these:—

"*Porro cometes ille Christi Servatoris nostri natalem prænunciasse multo melius creditur.*"

But, with all deference to so learned an authority, this opinion, I think, is scarcely tenable; for Julius Cæsar was assassinated forty years before the nativity of Christ; and Suetonius informs us, that the Julian Star appeared at the funeral games, which were instituted by Augustus to his memory soon after his death; a period of time, although not remote, yet too distant to suppose that it bore any aspect to that important event; moreover, the Evangelists do not take any notice of it, which they would not fail to have done, had it been connected with the advent of their Lord and Master.

Probably, therefore, after all, the "*Jullium Sidus*" was no other than a regular comet, the critical appearance of which, the authority and influence of Augustus, combined with the ignorance of those ages in astronomy, might easily convert into a divine testimony of the deification of his uncle; for, besides the honour of his family, Augustus had motives of policy sufficiently powerful to induce him to propagate this belief. I am, Sir,

Hanslope, *Yours, &c.*
May 15, 1804. W. SINGLETON.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

I SHOULD be much obliged to any of correspondents, who would inform me, through the medium of your valuable Magazine, at what time the last edition of Eusebius was published in the original Greek. It is much to be regretted, that so few copies of some of the best ancient authors in that language are extant, particularly in a country where literature is cultivated, and where the ancients are so much admired. It would not be an indifferent speculation to reprint many of them; nor would it be a small service rendered to those whose literary hours are partially engaged in classical studies.

April 7, 1804. UPSILON.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

A FRIEND of mine, in the North of Germany, a great amateur of mineralogy, expresses to me a desire to form a connection with some gentlemen in this

country, who might be willing to supply him with the mineral products of England, Scotland, and Ireland, on barter for select ores of German mines, or who are in the habit of importing such ores which the German mountains yield, whom he could provide with excellent specimens on the most favourable terms. As I have not the pleasure to be acquainted with any gentleman of this description, and yet am anxious to serve my friend if possible, I take the liberty to address myself to you, and beg you will do me the favour to insert this in your Monthly Magazine, which I conceive to be the most eligible place for that purpose. I should be happy if any gentleman should feel inclined to enter into such a connection; and any letter on this subject forwarded to Mr. Henry Holmes, bookseller, Leeds, for J. W. (post paid) will be duly attended to. I am, &c.

J. W.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

IN the third book of the *Aeneid*, *Aeneas* relating to Queen Dido the events of his voyage, previously to his landing on the Carthaginian Coast, after describing his departure from the Ceraunian Mountains, and the distant view of Italy, says—

"*Templumque apparat in arce Minervæ.*

Now it may be asked, how could *Aeneas* possess any topographical knowledge of Italy, since he had not then reached it? It is observable too, that the poet brings forward no supernatural machinery (to which he so often resorts) for enabling his hero to possess this knowledge. There is no mention of the Temple of Minerva in the prophecy of Helenus; it seems, therefore, that Virgil must here be guilty of the crime of *nodding*, however reluctant his admirers may be to impute it to him.

Lynn,

May 7, 1804.

T. G.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

IN reply to a query that occurs in your Magazine for April, with respect to the use of the word *ἀναστάσις*, I beg leave to observe, that is used by Thucydides in his second book, to denote a change of habitation. Speaking of the removal of the Athenians from the open country to the city itself, on the threatened invasion of Attica by the Lacedaemonians, in the first year of the Peloponnesian War, he has the following passage:

Οι δὲ Αθηναῖοι ἀκέταντες ἀνεπέιθοιό τε δῆλον ἐσται
χαίροντο ἐκ τῶν ἀγρῶν πάιδας δῆλον γυναικας, δῆλον
τὴν ἄλλην καλασκεύην, οὐ κατ' ὅμοιον ἔχειντο, δῆλον
τὸν εἰκανὸν καθαρεύειν τὴν ξύλωσιν. πρό-
βατα δὲ καὶ ὑπόζυγα ἐξ τὴν Εὔσοιν διεπεμψαντο,
καὶ ἐς τὰς νήσους τὰς ἐπικειμενας. χαλεπῶς δὲ
εἴσοντο, δὲ τὸ ἀλλοτρίον εἰσένειν τὰς πολλὰς ἐν τοῖς
ἄγροις διαιτᾶσι, η ἈΝΑΣΤΑΣΙΣ ἐγίγνετο. Lib.
II. p. 93, ed. Hudson.

It is also used again by the same historian, in a similar sense, in his seventh book.—Relating the departure of the Athenian army from Syracuse, he says, οὐδὲ οὐδέποτε οὐδὲ τῷ σπάλεύματος τρίτη ημέρᾳ
αὐτὸς της ναυμαχίας ἐγίγνετο. Lib. vii. p. 460.
Ed. Hud.

I am, &c. M. H.

May 9, 1804.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

AMBIGUITY in the use of words has been a frequent source of complaint from those who wished to come at the exact truth; and it can never be an useless task to bring examples of it before the public, and endeavour to render language more precise. I therefore request your insertion of some remarks on the application of the words *health* and *disease*, in relation to corporeal or mental sanity; and these I shall beg leave to introduce in a narrative.

Some time ago, a much-respected friend of mine was laid, by his family, to labour under great indisposition. He was attended by several physicians, and reports were given of his state of health, which spread much alarm among those who interested themselves in his welfare. Several of these, with myself, were desirous of paying him friendly visits; but we were told, that his condition would not permit him to see company. After some time passed under immediate apprehensions for his life, his gradual amendment was announced; and, at length, the recovery of his health was declared to be certain. It now began to be whispered, that the principal part of his disorder had been mental derangement, and that there never had been any real apprehension for his life in those about him. It suited the family, however, to have the matter still mentioned as a case of bodily disease, and thanks were solemnly given at church for his preservation. Mean time it could not be concealed, that his mental faculties were still in a very unsettled condition. As he had several important affairs on his hands, it was highly desirable that he should afford an appearance of resuming

the management of them; but his attempts of this kind met with various interruptions. The family, when pressed to declare explicitly in what state he was, always answered, “He is mending fast: his *health* is nearly established;” and the like: and they prevailed upon the physicians to use the same oracular language. Nay (what is rather ludicrous) a small poet, whom he had patronized, in a rhapsody, which he called an ode, sung his recovery in the most triumphant strains. His friends, however, know that all is not right, though they are unable to get a satisfactory account either of his present state, or of his future prospects. Before he fell ill, he was carrying on a law-suit of great consequence to his property, and we have been surprized to find that, during this period, he has put the management of it into different hands. It is true, the solicitor, who is now the chief agent, is generally thought an abler man than the last; but many people wonder that when he began to make a change, he did not do it more effectually. Persuaded as I am, that much embarrassment has arisen from the ambiguity of the terms employed on this occasion, I should be obliged to any of your ingenious correspondents, who would assist in settling the following points:—Does the word *health*, taken by itself, refer to soundness of body, of mind, or of both? Where bodily and mental indisposition are combined, can *amendment* be predicated generally, when it is only true of the former? I remain,

Your's, &c. SUBURBICUS.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

THE following article appears in the Walpoliana.—“In writing the History of the Knights of Malta, Vertot had sent to Italy for original materials concerning the siege of Rhodes: but, impatient of the long delay, he completed his narration from his own imagination. At length the packet arrived, when Vertot was sitting with a friend: he opened it, and threw it contemptuously on the sofa behind him, saying coolly, “*Mon siège est fait.*”

Is this true or false? Has he availed himself of the more authentic materials in the last and much improved edition? If any of your correspondents, through your interesting and useful Magazine, could answer these questions, I should feel myself much indebted to him.

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A writer in the Monthly Magazine, some months back, spoke of the "Système de la Nature," as written by the celebrated Mirabeau.—The name in the title-page is Mirabaud, who died long before Mirabeau was known; perhaps before he was born. D'Alembert asserts that it is falsely attributed to him. Barruel speaks of the work without, I believe, naming the author who did write it.

Cambridge. I am, &c. J. R.

For the Monthly Magazine.

CASE of a CHILD blind and speechless,
apparently from the OPERATION of the
INOCULATED SMALL-POX.

AS professional facts, when any way connected with important inferences, or with subjects of philosophical inquiry, seem always to be acceptable in your Miscellany, I transmit to you a case which has lately presented itself within the sphere of my particular observation. I cannot, indeed, say, that it is pregnant with any satisfactory conclusions, either of a practical or of a theoretical nature; or, that it furnishes any immediate proofs of the triumphs of those scientific principles which I am labouring to inculcate: but it may, at least, afford materials for a very interesting speculation on the incitements and sources of that species of imitative action, by which certain definable organs of the human frame are enabled to convey, with tolerable precision and accuracy, the impressions of one mind to the apprehensions of another. I allude, of course, to the actions of the organs of speech: actions, in their ultimate phenomena, sufficiently familiar to almost every human being; but the laws and operations of which have not, hitherto, attracted that degree of philosophical observation to which, from the importance of their objects, they are, perhaps, entitled.

The physiology of those organs, by which the functions of elocution are carried on, has, for some years, been the object of my particular attention;* and I am free to acknowledge, that, among the sources of that success with which my public Lectures on the Science and Practice of Elocution have been so generally

encouraged, the most gratifying to my feelings, and the most stimulating to my hopes, is the notoriety of that relief which, in consequence of such attention, I have been enabled to extend to persons afflicted with the most calamitous impediments; and even to those from whom the apparent caprices of nature have withheld some of the essential organs of enunciation. Till the case in question, indeed, any individual instance has not occurred, to which the principles of my science would not practically apply: and I began to persuade myself that, by a simple and easily communicable process, every human being, who had the gift of hearing, might readily be enabled to speak with impressiveness and facility, at least, if not with elegance and harmony. But the case in question, seems to present an exception to my conclusions; and, apparently, it defeats all theory. It is not, so strictly speaking, a case either of defect or of impairment, as an instance of the imperfect developement, or non-application of the organ. It approximates more, in its phenomena, to the case of *Peter the wild Boy*, or that of the unfortunate *Savage of Aveyron*, than to any of those examples either of defective construction, or of irregular action, to which my principles have been hitherto applied. It is an instance, indeed, even more anomalous than either of those I have mentioned; inasmuch as the child in question has been brought up in the bosom of civilized society, and yet exhibits all the negative phenomena of enunciative privation and ineptitude, which, in the former instances, are only accounted for from the want of human association.

The early history of this case (as far as I have been able to ascertain the circumstances) is as follows: Augusta (one of the daughters of a very respectable gentleman in the neighbourhood of Glasgow) was inoculated for the small-pox when she was only three months old. The disease, however, made its appearance with none of the mitigated symptoms which inoculation is intended to insure. It raged, on the contrary, with the utmost virulence; and disfigurement and blindness were the consequences. One of the eye-balls seems to have been so completely obliterated by the disease, that the closed and deeply sunken lids, far retiring into the socket, only mark the position where the visual organ should be. The lower part of the other orb (which is sufficiently obtrusive) appears to retain some small degree of sensibility to the presence of light; and through the medium of this organ, it appears,

* By a mistake in the arrangement of the paragraphs of the Literary Varieties, in the Monthly Magazine for April last, the notice of Mr. Bell's intended publication on the Physiology of the Organs of Speech, was so inserted, as apparently to assign the preparation of that work to Mr. John Bell.

appears, that the difference between night and day are indistinctly perceptible ; but no object of vision can either be distinguished or perceived.

In addition to this calamitous privation, the poor child had early the misfortune of being deprived of its mother ; and from circumstances, partly arising from necessary attentions to the management of a numerous family, and partly, perhaps, from mistaken calculations of the comfort and accommodation of the child herself, she seems to have been, for a considerable time at least, resigned to the exclusive, and almost *secluded*, care of a nurse who, perhaps, had not all the dispositions, and cannot be expected to have had all the knowledge and reflection, which the peculiar circumstances of the nursling might require.

One serious mistake, it is obvious, has been committed. It seems to have been the universal practice to direct and manage the unfortunate child by the sense of touch alone. No appeal seems to have been made to any of the other senses. That of hearing, in particular, seems so entirely to have been neglected, that the necessity of comprehending, and consequently of imitating, the distinctions of enunciated sound, seems hardly to have been presented. The *guiding hand* seems, on every occasion, to have been substituted for the inviting voice. How much of the additional calamity is to be attributed to this cause, I shall not pretend to determine ; but certain it is, that the poor child has attained her seventh year, without making any intelligible efforts towards the exercise of the faculty of speech.

While I was at Glasgow, the observations I had occasion to make "on the Causes and Cure of Natural and Habitual Impediments," during my "Course of Lectures on the Science and Practice of Elocution," occasioned me to be applied to by the father of this unfortunate child ; and I accordingly visited her, in company with a medical friend, of philosophical and scientific celebrity, whose curiosity, like my own, was considerably excited by the particulars we had heard of this very extraordinary case.

Of the dreadful ravages which the virus of the small-pox had made, it may easily be inferred, from the facts already stated, that the child presented a very lamentable spectacle. Her general health, however, did not appear to be affected. Her growth and proportions are remarkably beyond the ordinary standard of her years ; and her robust and masculine figure formed a most striking contrast to the delicate

symmetry of two beautiful and diminutive sisters, the smallest of which was but two years younger than herself. Her animal spirits appeared to be high and irregular ; and she was full of boisterous activity, which sometimes approached almost to fierceness, and sometimes subsided into absolute inattention, and apparent insanity. In these transitions, however, and this wildness of deportment, neither my professional friend nor myself could discover any indications, either of deficiency or derangement of the sensorial faculty, that could account for the want of articulative utterance, even if deficiencies and derangements of that description could be admitted as sufficient solutions of the phenomenon. The mingled boldness and precaution with which she climbed over the tables and other furniture ; the skill with which she balanced herself upon the seats, and backs, and frames of the chairs, which she successively inverted in all possible directions ; and the address with which she recovered herself, when in danger of losing her equilibrium, conspired, with a variety of other feats and circumstances, to preclude all idea of any other degree of imbecility, than the mere complicated privations of vision and discourse might naturally be expected to produce. Nor can any inferences be drawn that would invalidate this conclusion, from her intervals of her apparent insanity : if *insanity* that can be called, which is evidently nothing more than the pause of physical exhaustion, when boisterous exertion has fatigued her muscles, or dissipated her animal spirits. Then, indeed, she seats herself upon the ground, and, swaying her head from side to side, with a sort of sinuous oscillation, begins to beat time with her left knee, while she hums, in a low and plaintive tone, a sort of imperfect tune : always, I believe, the same, though of this I cannot be certain. But in this I can discover no other indication than the effort of a mind contracted in its sphere of activity by physical privations, to vary according to its various means of occupations and its amusements.

But if idiocy, or if derangement be not the cause that has precluded this unfortunate child from the use of speech, to what other circumstance shall be attributed the privation.

The persuasion of the family seems to be, that this second and more aggravated calamity has resulted from the ravages of the same disease which deprived the infant of its sight. As a secondary consequence, this may, perhaps, have been the case ; but of the primary or physical operation of

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of the virus upon any of the organs essential to oral intercourse, there is certainly not the slightest appearance. The hearing of the child does not seem to be affected. She is evidently conscious to the general impressions of sound; and she even appears to be interested by particular tunes, and some of the movements of instrumental music. That the *vocal organs** are sufficiently perfect, is equally obvious, from the vociferations and noises of all kinds which she so frequently utters. The *enunciative organs* † also appeared, upon

* It is only, perhaps, when she is *thus* amusing herself, that the unfortunate Augusta appears at all interesting. The deformity of feature produced by the original disease is, probably, in more respects than one, an aggravation of the calamities of this unhappy child. Imagination has something to do even with the best feelings of our nature; its associations mingle with the active operations of our most imperious duties; and few, indeed, are the human beings whose sympathies are so abstractly correct, as to require no assistance from its alliance. Such assistance, the person of this poor child is little calculated to afford; and the vehemence of her actions and gestures is not likely to counteract the impression which her appearance inevitably produces. But when tired of jumping and tearing about, she sits herself down to murmur her inarticulate song, the mournful monotony of her action, and the expression of her voice (which, though not harmonious, is most appropriately melancholy) finds its way, irresistibly, to the heart.

† The contra-distinction here specified, has not hitherto been marked, I believe, either by physiologists, or by writers on elocution. It is a distinction, however, not less important than real; without the due comprehension of which, it is equally impossible either to elucidate, with perspicuity, the theory of oral intercourse, or to carry to any considerable extent a rational system of elocutionary instruction.

The *VOCAL ORGANS* are those portions of the organic system employed in the production and promulgation of voluntary sounds. The attributes and objects of these are, power, or force; compass, or variety; tone; modulation, or flexure; melody, or tune; swell and cadence, &c.

The *ENUNCIATIVE ORGANS* are those portions and numbers of the human mouth, by the motions, positions, and contact of which, specific character is imparted to vocal sounds, so as to render them capable of being converted into commutable signs of definite ideas. Their attributes are, distinctness, articulation, measure, and quantity, accent (vulgarly so called), emphasis, &c.

Want of attention to this essential contra-distinction was, perhaps, one of the most unfortunate mistakes of the philosophical phy-

inspection, to be complete in every portion of their structure. That they were so, indeed, would have been sufficiently evident, even if no such inspection had been made; for, amidst the variety of unmeaning noises with which she occasionally amuses herself, all the elements of enunciation may be distinctly heard: nor is there an individual simple sound (whether labial, lingual, palatal, or guttural) out of which the combinations of verbal language should be formed, which she does not repeatedly pronounce.

Whether from this chaos of original elements, the creations of intelligible speech will ever arise, I own I am exceedingly doubtful. It cannot be disguised, that this is one of those cases which would require much more attention than, from the nature of the circumstances, it is practicable that it should receive. Cases so completely anomalous are only to be understood by long and minute observation; and remedies, if practicable, are only to be expected from the persevering assiduity of an intelligent superintendent, capable of suggesting, and patient enough to conduct, a long and consistent series of experiments;—a superintendent who could descend to all the minutiae of ministration and attendance, and who had sufficient authority over the whole household, to preclude all thwartings and interruptions of the necessary plans, either from the prejudices of ignorance, or the impatience of unseasonable doubt. All that I could do, therefore, in the present instance, was to give a few simple rules for the future regulation of the child; the principal object of which was to divert, if possible, to the sense of hearing that internal attention which, from the error of education, had hitherto been concentrated to the sense of touch alone:—regulations which, I was apprehensive at the time, would never be attended to with sufficient perseverance and precision; and which, during my second visit, were violated before my face, by the negligence or the perverseness of a domestic who, naturally enough, despised a restriction, the tendency of which she could not comprehend.* As this was,

fician, Itard, in his abortive attempt to communicate the power of speech to the savage of Aveyron.

* I had the greater reason to confide in the probability of some effect from these regulations, because, to me at least, it was apparent, that my frequent repetitions of the English salutation, “How do you do?” (a salutation to which her ears had never been familiarized) had produced (during the twenty-four hours that I staid in the house on my first reality,

reality, no more than I expected, my only animadversion was—never to call again.

Such, Mr. Editor, are the few and unsatisfactory particulars I am able to communicate respecting this unhappy case. Unsatisfactory, however, as they are, they add one more to the small number of facts that seem to furnish land-marks for an inquiry into the causes that facilitate, and those which preclude, the developement of the faculty of speech: an inquiry which, perhaps, may be interesting to some of your readers; and which, you will naturally conclude, has become of primary importance in the estimation of,

Kendal, Your's, respectfully,
May 13, 1804. JOHN THELWALL.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

In pursuance of my promise, I send you some historical extracts, translated from the Danish. I am, &c.

C. H. WILSON.

The BATTLE of LONCART, in the YEAR
985.*

"IN this year (985) the Danish fleet put to sea, with an intention either to land in England or Scotland, according as the wind should prove favourable for the one or the other. They cast anchor in Scotland, near the promontory called Red-head, in the shire of Angus or Forfar, for it is known by these two names. Many of the Danes preferred a war with the English, as the Scotch were known to be a warlike people, and, besides, there was no plunder even in case of success. On the contrary, England was rich. They at length agreed, however, to try their luck in Scotland. They took the town of Montrose, levelled it to the ground, so that not a vestige of it remained; they also put all the inhabitants to the sword. Having committed several wanton acts of cruelty, they marched through Angus to the Firth of Tay. Every step was marked with blood and rapine. The inhabitants fled in every direction. Kineth,

visit) an imitative effort, which expressed itself in an indistinct *How do?* which it appeared to me that she applied as a sort of name or term associated in her mind with the impressions she had received of my distinct and personal identity. On my second visit the same ejaculation again was uttered; yet I could not learn that any such exclamation had been observed in my absence. A circumstance from which I drew a very different conclusion from those which were inferred by the persons who are usually around her.

† See Suhm's History of Denmark, vol. 3, p. 174.

the king, sat at the time in Stirling, dispensing justice to his subjects. The moment these disastrous accounts reached his ears, he ordered a large body of men to be assembled under arms, in that part where the river Erne falls into the Tay; when they came to that place, they learned that the Danes had crossed the Tay, closely invested Perth, and had slain all that fell in their way, without distinction of sex, age, or rank. As soon as Kineth received this affliction intelligence, he hastened to Loncart, or Longcartili, which lies at a short distance from the Tay. Night came on soon after his arrival. As soon as the dawn appeared, the battle began. The king led the van; Malcolm, King of Cumbria, commanded the right wing; and Duncan, chieftain of Athol, headed the left. Kineth promised a certain sum of money, or an equivalent in land, to every man that would bring in the head of a Dane. The Danes were posted at the foot of a mountain, from whence the Scots rolled down large stones, intermingled with showers of arrows, which killed a great number of the enemy. The contest was maintained with great bravery on both sides for a considerable time. The right and left wings of the Scots at length gave way; but the van, encouraged by the voice and example of their prince, kept their ground, and resisted every shock with unexampled valour. In this situation it happened, that a Scottish peasant, of the name of Hay, and his two sons, ploughing in a field at some distance, witnessed the battle: kindled with patriotic fire, the old man and his sons seized the implements of their plough—stood in a gap—and slew every man, friend and foe, that came within the reach of their arms; calling with all their might on their flying countrymen to return to the action, as help was now at hand. Their countrymen obeyed their call—returned—fell on the foe with such fury that, in a short time, the field was covered with the dead bodies of the Danes. The camp of the enemy, filled with provisions, fell into the hands of the Scots the next day. The Danes suffered so severely in this engagement, that they did not attempt to make head a second time. Hay, the patriotic peasant, was called into the presence of the king, and was royally rewarded with a large portion of the booty which the foe had left behind, as well as lands: he was also ennobled. The house of Arrol is descended from him. Hector Boethius, a Scottish historian, says, that Kineth granted him armorial bearings, but this must be a mistake, as armorial bearings were not known in those days."

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VISIT OF KNUD THE GREAT AND QUEEN
EMMA TO ELY, IN THE YEAR 1035.*

"KNUD the Great, and Emma, his queen, with the chief men of the land, sailed for Ely, to celebrate, according to custom, the feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin. As they sailed by the church, which is built upon a high rock, the sweet sound of many voices fell into their ears, which came from the monks who were celebrating divine service at the time in the church. The king instantly commanded that all those who were in the ship should immediately join him in a song, which he composed in English upon the occasion, and which begins thus—‘ Merie fungen the muneches binnen Ely, tha Cnut cing reuther by ; rourerh cnites noer the land, and here we thes muneches sceng :’ that is, ‘ The monks of Ely sang sweet, as King Knud rowed by. Row nearer to the land, my men, that we may hear these monks sing.’ This song, according to report, was inserted in the Cloister Chronicle of Ely at full length, and was in public use in England in the days of its author. Thus the king sung with the monks till he came on shore, on which he hastened to St. Edelreda’s altar, and confirmed all the privileges which the former kings of England had granted to the monastery. It is said to have once happened, that the water round the monastery was frozen at the time of the feast of the Purification ; and that it was not certain if the ice was sufficiently strong to bear any person ; the king, however, would not be restrained from joining in the solemn ceremony, but passed over in a sledge, having first caused a lusty peasant to walk before to try the strength of the ice. The peasant, by order of Knud, was liberally rewarded for the experiment. The king soon after caused a dike to be thrown up, in order to lead away the water by Peterborough and Ramesey. This dike was called by some Swerdeſdelf, by others Cnudſdelf, and sometimes Shedsdike ; it now forms the division between Huntington and Cambridgeshire. Queen Emma presented to the Church of Ely, a purple robe, bordered with gold ; it was besides ornamented with gold and precious stones ; so that the like was never seen in all England. She also presented to each of the saints, in the same church, a silk robe, set with gold and stones of inferior value. She, likewise, gave to the monks a green altar-cloth, interlaced with plates of gold ; and a linen altar-cloth, of a blood colour, with a gold

border, one foot in breadth. Gram, Langebek, and Cambden, have amply treated of the signification of the names of the two queens, Emma and Alfgiva. Langebek contends, that Alfgiva is the same as Æthelwif; that is, a noble woman. In Hemming’s, Thattur says, she is called Anna. King Knud entertained a high esteem for Alfric, abbot of St. Alban’s, brother of the famous Leofric. He allowed him to pull down the buildings on Kingsbury, which King Ethelred had granted him, except a tower near the monastery, which should remain to shew that it was once a royal seat. The abbot either chased away all the people who dwelt there, or compelled them to become servants to the cloister. Of all the clergy, however, Knud held archbishop Ethelnoth, and Living, monk of Winchester, in the highest reverence. He made Living abbot of Tavistock, and afterwards bishop of Crydyntone. He had great influence over the king, and could make very free with him. He had lived a long time with him in Denmark, followed him to Rome, and returned thence to England with the king’s letter, where he settled every thing to the satisfaction of his majesty. He prevailed on Knud to unite the see of Cornwall with that of Crydyntone ; but he abused this addition of power, for he was ambitious, proud, and imperious. He died in the time of Edward the Confessor, and was buried in Tavistock. Adelwin, abbot of Abbington, was also a great favourite with the king, who granted that monastery considerable privileges and gifts ; particularly a shrine of gold and silver to preserve the remains of St. Vincent. He expelled the Canik monks out of Gloucester, and put another order in their place, by the advice of bishop Wulfstan. These transactions may be attributed to the superstition and ignorance of the times. It should not be forgotten, that Knud planted a number of schools all over England ; this was an act worthy of a prince, and will find admirers in every age. Notwithstanding his liberality, the brilliancy of his court, and the expensive wars in which he was engaged, he left large sums behind him. He likewise caused several buildings to be raised at his own expence, which his father and he had demolished. In 1019, he rebuilt the monastery of Exeter, which his countrymen had broken down. He was temperate in his diet. There is a bird in England, of which he was so fond, that it bears his name to this day ; namely, Knots ; in Latin, Tringa Canutus, or Marituria. The natives call it by the different names of puitte, godwift, or dotterell."

* See Suhm’s History of Denmark, vol. 3, p. 174.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

A CONTRIBUTOR to the Monthly Magazine for last month, has favoured the readers of that valuable work with his remarks on a peculiarity or idiom of our language, which, in his opinion, has escaped the penetration of every writer on English grammar. After informing us, that, when two substantives come together in the same case, and not in opposition, one acts the part of an adjective, he adds—"This is one of the commonest modes of speech in English; yet I know no grammarian that has noticed it."

This peculiarity is, indeed, a common mode of speech; but, I apprehend, the writer of the article in question is mistaken in supposing that none of our grammarians have remarked it: in proof of which, I beg leave to refer him to Murray's "English Grammar," eighth edit.* p. 140, where he will find the following note, which I take the liberty of inserting here for the information of the reader.

"Sometimes the substantive becomes a kind of adjective, and has another substantive joined to it by a hyphen: as, a sea-fish; a silver-tankard; a mahogany-table; an adjective-pronoun. The hyphen is not always used, but may be dispensed with, in cases where the association has been long established, and is become familiar. In some of these instances, the two words coalesce: as, Icehouse; ink-horn; Yorkshire."

This note, I believe, includes every instance of a noun's being used for an adjective, and placed before another noun; and it appears that, in many cases, the association is become so familiar, as not to require the hyphen. This then accounts for such combinations, as, "gold-watch, county politicks, house lamb," &c. where the words, *gold*, *county*, *house*, are truly adjectives. Also, when several nouns are used in a like construction, they are allowed to have the force and import of an adjective; as, "Church of England discipline:" though in *parsing* such a phrase as this, it would be better to give the sentence another turn.

Hence it appears to be a prominent feature in English nouns to become adjectives; and as such, to be prefixed to other nouns: and this is an idiom which renders our tongue more forcible and expressive; for without it, such a phrase,

as "Church of England discipline," would be expressed by *periphrasis*, the effect of which is to load and enfeeble speech.

Your Correspondent has introduced his criticism with remarking, that Horne Tooke has treated the common divisions of speech as absurd and ridiculous. The learned author of the "Diversions of Purley," has indeed proved that there are but two *necessary sorts* of words, the *noun* and the *verb*, and that all other commonly received divisions are mere abbreviations, invented to increase the rapidity of speech: and to confirm this very ingenious system, he has traced the roots of most of our adverbs, prepositions, and conjunctions, to either nouns or verbs. At the same time, he allows that, in the strict sense of the term, both the *necessary words* and the *abbreviations* are "parts of speech," because they are all useful in language, and each has a different manner of signification.

Whatever be the origin of our *adverbs*, *prepositions*, and *conjunctions*, no one will deny that they act a different part in language, from the noun or the verb; and, as such, deserve a separate classification in our grammars. Moreover, as no art can be properly taught (if taught at all) without being subjected, in some degree, to the rules of analysis; the division of words into eight, nine, or ten parts of speech, is extremely useful, and well calculated to facilitate the study of language.

I remain, &c.

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Hitchin, 1804.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

PRESUMING that your Magazine should be open to liberal discussion, I venture to offer a few observations upon a paper in your Magazine for March, entitled, "Considerations on the Cession of Louisiana, by France, to the United States, and its probable Consequences not only to those Nations, but to Spain and Britain."

Your Correspondent begins with an axiom, than which he says none is more self-evident, viz. "That the cession of Louisiana will, at no very distant period, transfer the stewardship of the South American Government into other hands, and cause a very extraordinary, if not a total, alteration in the systems and relative state of politics of almost every European nation; while the United States are inextricably drawn into the vortex of European politics."

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* The ninth edition of this excellent work has been lately printed.

Having a retrospective view of the pacific disposition (I will not call it policy, because the term seems to belong exclusively to the cabinets of the Eastern Continent) of the American Government, and in whose power remains the fulfilling of this axiomatic prophecy, it appears to me, that the period must indeed be very distant, when the transfer into other hands shall take place, if the writer means by *other hands* the American Government.—He certainly does insinuate as much, or his meaning is not to be comprehended. Is it then to be accomplished by an illicit commerce, carried on by the settlers of Louisiana? which, he says, any attempt on the part of Spain to suppress, will be succeeded by open violence; and that even the American Government will be unable to prevent the settlers from bursting into Mexico. In process of time, there is no doubt of this illicit commerce being carried on to a very considerable degree.—Spain will find, I should imagine, no more difficulty in tolerating a trade of this nature, than she does in the people of different European nations, and particularly the English, who derive from this very species of trade, carried on between some of the Leeward Islands and the Spanish Main, an immense profit. To the Americans this advantage will be great, because they will serve the Spaniards with the same kinds of goods which they get from the Leeward Islands, and they will thus share with them the profit of such a trade. In this point of view the Americans will not, however, obtain the stewardship of the South-American treasures, which must suppose all her precious metals to pass through their hands: but they will receive a great deal of hard cash; and as they are principally the lighter kinds of goods which are sent to the Spanish main, they will be purchased in the British market.

The second point which I shall notice is, what your Correspondent says respecting the American Government obtaining more territory than they had occasion for, added to what was before already too bulky, and having laid an immense charge on their useful possessions, in order to add to these which will not only be absolutely useless, but burdensome.—It has been a commonly received opinion, that a government may have too extensive a territory, merely because it is extensive, which is absurd; or, because of some adventitious circumstances, as difference of climate and productions, difficulty of land or river communications to market,

which, if not absurd, is inconsistent; because, taking the United States for an example, some of these particulars are different from one another in all the Eastern States, and very different even in many parts of almost any one State. Yet this very argument, if it can be called one, would go to frittering the Federal Union to atoms. Just instancing the immense empires of China and Russia, the former in its present high state of civilization, and the latter rapidly advancing in the same career, I would ask, why territory is too bulky for a government? And I would venture to answer, only in cases where the ignorance of a government is too bulky for territory; or, in other words, when it is not sufficiently enlightened to frame laws which shall embrace the general interests of the people, but shall favour some parts in preference to others, or one branch of national prosperity in preference to another. That such impolicy was the cause of the two insurrections within the space of six years, there can scarcely be a doubt. The insurrections took their rise in the back country of Pennsylvania, behind the Alleghany Mountain; and to state the case as fairly as possible, I will observe, that the settlers of that country having no market for their extra-grain, distilled it into whiskey, some of which they consumed themselves, some they vended to the new-comers, who, upon settling among them, had occasion for a stock, and a great deal was sold to the numerous emigrants embarking at Pittsburg, upon the Ohio, for Kentucky, &c.; and as what remained far exceeded the quantity consumed by themselves, and sold to others, it became dead stock on hand. A very heavy duty was originally laid upon stills, which, when the inhabitants of these parts began to work, either did not strike them as oppressive, or having for sometime been disgusted and dispirited in not meeting with a vent for their produce down the Ohio and Mississippi, they were suddenly enlivened with the prospect of a beneficial manufactory of their grain into whiskey. It might easily, however, be foreseen that, in the course of a few years, the dead stock of whiskey, peach, and apple brandy, would so accumulate, that all the profit of the former years, arising from the sale of these articles, would be locked up in it. This was precisely the case, if I am not very much mistaken; and nothing was more natural to expect, than that the people would call out loudly for the free navigation of the Mississippi, as

the only means to prevent such another dilemma.—They did so; but the government instead of endeavouring to alleviate their situation by remitting the duty on stills, or, which, perhaps, would have been the best plan, by reimbursing them in proportion to the dead stock on hand, satisfied itself with assuring them, that every attention was paying to their interests in its negotiations with Spain, respecting the free navigation of the Mississippi. Things continued in this state for sometime, till despair urged the people to take up arms to resist more effectually the paying of the duty upon stills. But, though they certainly acted unconstitutionally, yet I never heard that they had any other view in their insurrections, than to stimulate the Federal Government to obtain for them a market, or a remission of the duty upon stills. The former object could only be accomplished by the free navigation of the Mississippi; and the latter, though it might have been a just and conciliatory measure, yet it would only have afforded a partial and trifling relief. It would have argued too, in the minds of some people, fear and weakness on the part of the government, which might have emboldened other parts of the States to make similar demands, and ultimately caused complete anarchy. Nothing, however, appeared in the proclamations of the insurgents, nor did any hint or discussion take place amongst them in their private or public capacity, which could authorise your Correspondent to insinuate, that they wished for a separation from the Federal Union, and to set up a government of their own. I never heard this project laid to the charge of any of their chiefs, of whom lawyer Brenkenridge, of Pittsburg, was one.

Supposing one motive for this purchase of Louisiana was, as your Correspondent says, "to prevent a schism in the United States, which, by the very means taken to avoid it, is rendered absolutely certain at a future period;" it certainly was wise and politic in the government not to run the risk of an absolute schism at the present day; and if it should hereafter take place, no blame can attach to government on that account. Why your Correspondent should, from his mode of reasoning, prefer a schism at present, to one in future, I am at a loss to conceive, unless I were to conjecture, that it might be gratifying to him to see the "weak and impolitic government" hampered, in the same manner as Washington's was, with insurrection; when, no doubt, it

would be a favourable occasion to lay the schism at its doors, for not foreseeing and preventing it by the very measure which it has fortunately adopted. This certainly would have afforded a chance of setting America against the present administration, and might have disgusted the latter into a resignation of those offices which would be filled by the favourites of some gentlemen. Perhaps your Correspondent means, that the attempts at a schism will be more formidable in future, than they could have been at present. If a separation should generally appear desirable at a future period, in the name of common sense, humanity, policy, and mutual interest, let the Federal Government itself, if it should be constitutional, decree that separation: but at all events, let it acknowledge the independence of the Western Country, in case it be claimed. —But, at present, it is not able to protect itself; and suppose a schism had been attempted, had not Louisiana been purchased, it would have been the imperious duty of the Federal Government to have endeavoured to prevent it by expostulation and remonstrance; and, if those means had failed, to have used force, because the Western Country would have become a prey to some other power, and might have been a thorn in the back of the Eastern States.

Your Correspondent must certainly be mistaken in asserting, "That the expence of the purchase, viz. sixteen millions of dollars, must ultimately fall upon the northern and southern divisions, and therefore it is no wonder that they have strenuously opposed it." If my memory be correct, the secretary of the treasury, Albert Gallatin, stated, that there would be no occasion for new taxes to pay the interest of this sixteen millions; and as the principal was not to be discharged till after the expiration of a certain term of years, there was every reason to believe, from fair and sound calculation, that the increasing revenue, arising from an increasing population and trade, and from the progressive sale of Congress's lands, would, before the expiration of that term, afford more than an amply sufficient surplus to discharge the principal.—But supposing that not to be the case, and that new taxes must be laid to discharge both interest and principal, still the North Western territory, Kentucky, the South Western territory, and Louisiana, will contribute, in proportion to their population, towards paying those taxes, with the other states of the Union.

If I might hazard a conjecture from what motive the opposition of the Northern and Southern divisions to this purchase arises, I would only ask, whether they do not apprehend a loss of the custom of the Western merchants, who, instead of coming twice a year to their sea-ports to purchase goods, will get them from New Orleans in exchange for produce; and the difference of distance, and length of time required to sail up the Mississippi and the Ohio will be no obstacle, provided the traffic is mutually advantageous.

Your Correspondent mentions the "vast extent of the United States being detrimental to them before this purchase, because it drew off and scattered the population, and militated against their improvement and security, which are only to be obtained by a steady settlement." This is certainly one of the most important topics connected with the discussion of the question and though his opinion might apply to European states, in consequence of the predominance of war, yet I think it perfectly inapplicable to America, and I infer the directly opposite consequences from that drawing off and scattering of the population, which he does.

The climate, the agricultural, the domestic manufacturing interests of America, demand a widely scattered population. In all countries where the climate is warm, a crowded, or even a moderate quantum of population, has been attended with the greatest inconvenience and most deplorable calamity. The banks of the Ganges in India, the city of Constantinople, Smyrna, Cairo, Alexandria, Algiers, Tunis, Lisbon, and London, have been visited by that most dreadful of all scourges, the plague; and though I am far from saying that the crowded population has been the cause of it, yet there is no doubt of its aggravating it, and that it was a great sufferer by it. The population adds to the heat of the climate in a most extraordinary and incalculable degree by its breath, its various establishments which require fire, and cause smoke and steam. The sea-ports of America, though under the best-regulated police, and Philadelphia in particular, have smarted severely for several years by the visitation of the yellow fever; and though it might be conjectured that nothing of the kind would have taken place in Philadelphia, and perhaps the other ports, had not the quays and wharfs, and contiguous streets, been injudiciously built upon and crowded together, for mercan-

tile convenience as a plea, but, in reality for short-sighted cupidity, yet, it will not be denied that these were the consequences of an increasing trade and an extensive population.

Had Philadelphia remained stationary at one half of its present size, it is problematical whether the fever would have made its appearance; and if it had, the calamity would not have been so grievous, and the chance of extirpation and prevention in future would have been greater.

A close and concentrated population cannot be favourable to agriculture, because the commercial establishments, which are always subsisting in such a state, create artificial wants; and the almost sure, but moderate, profits of the farmer, will not afford him the means of living like the merchant; therefore, all the people in towns must either be in trade, or depend in some shape or other upon it.

While America has such immense tracts of land to cultivate, it is her duty, as well as her real and solid interest, to direct the attention of her citizens to agricultural pursuits, which must, of course, cause a very scattered population. Upon extensive plantations, where the negroes cannot be fully employed all the year, the domestic manufactory of cotton, hemp, and flax, into goods for the wear of the household, cherishes a spirit of industry highly favourable to the health, the prosperity, the morality, and happiness of the people. The spirit, nay, I may call it, the very essence, of independence and republicanism resides in this scattered population, which constitutes the bulwark of the Federal Union; and which, removed farther in circumstances and situation from European luxuries than the cities, knows not the want of them, and, having resources within itself, proved to America what it could do in the day of battle against regular and veteran armies. It has thus given an earnest of what may be expected from it, whenever the government shall have occasion for its patriotism and courage. No one can doubt that there is more reverence paid to the patriarchal authority of families, and a purer and more sincere homage rendered to the Father of the Universe, in the scattered population of America, than in the towns and cities. If there be not real virtue, there is a negative kind, by the absence of glaring vices, which, perhaps, is as much as can be expected in this imperfect state of being.

Your Correspondent calls the people who are going to settle in Louisiana, "a

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restless, enterprising, and ungovernable horde; no better than a horde of Tartars;" and this character he gives generally to the inhabitants of the Western territory.—" If a family leave a hut to go about their daily labour, at their return, they find it perhaps taken possession of by newcomers, who will dispute with them the possession—no tenure being acknowledged among them, but that of occupancy; no right, but that of superior force." This, indeed, is a most tremendous blow aimed at the character of Western America; but it is so very easy to assert without proving, that any person may write an account of people at a distance, which shall grossly misrepresent and slander them. I am sorry this seems to be the unfortunate predicament of this writer; and it behoves every friend to truth and mankind to set him right, if he be mistaken, and to expose him, if he be guilty of wilful misrepresentation. The settling of America from east to west, has generally been preceded by what is called the Back Woods people, who, being fond of hunting and a wild life, assimilate themselves as much as possible to the Indians in their dress, manners, and habits. There is a considerable number of them in the back woods of the Western country, but it bears a very trifling proportion, not one to twenty of the whole population of regular settlers. All the unappropriated land in the North Western territory, Kentucky, and the South Western territory, belongs to Congress; and in every county of these states there is, what is called a Location-office, for land purchased of Congress by individuals. When a person has fixed upon a lot of land, he has it measured conjointly by his own surveyor and one appointed by authority; after which, he takes possession by putting a few logs of wood together, as if going to build a hut. He then receives a map of it from the location-office, which describes the figure, contents, situation, &c. of it; and, likewise, a certificate of the purchase, the time it was made, name or names of the surveyors, &c. which is to him a *bona fide* deed of sale. It is by this legal mode, and not solely by occupancy, that the lands are generally taken possession of and held by the Western people. It is well known in America, that the present administration had no occasion, as a temporary shift, to gain popularity, which this writer boldly asserts, to purchase Louisiana. They had already secured the applause of a very great majority of the Americans, by pro-

curing the abolition of odious and unconstitutional laws, by recurring to the genuine and sound principles of their constitution, by a rigidly economical management of their finances, and by a truly enlightened love of liberty and their country. If this purchase of Louisiana, and these deeds of patriotism and dispositions of heart, entitle them to be thought " weak and impolitic" by the writer, the Americans differ from him in opinion.

America can no more be involved in the vortex of European politics by this purchase, than she was when groaning under the spoliations committed upon her trade by the belligerent powers during the last war. Let her conduct be such as it was then, in case any untoward circumstances should call forth her energies to assert her rights and procure redress for her wrongs. Let her use the mild language of representation, remonstrance, and negociation; and if dire necessity should force her to the *dernier* resort, let her courage be as great in war, as her moderation is in peace, and she need not fear the result.

But America, though right perhaps, in forming commercial alliances, should, by all means, avoid political ones, as having a sure tendency to lead her into that state, which your Correspondent affects to deprecate.

In his first declamation against tyranny, he would impress the Americans with a prospect of the deplorable dilemma in which they will be placed, in case Britain is prostrated at the feet of France. America hates all species of tyranny, and her fate would be truly pitiable, were she to attend to the suggestions of self-interested and impassioned European policy, by forming alliances with powers, who are inflated by ambition, and whose sole objects are riches, dominion, and self-aggrandizement. Let her be true to herself, and one word marks her character—one word shews the nature of her alliances, and the extent of them—it is, Peace with all the world!

Prescot, April 26, 1804. N. H.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

AS your valuable Magazine seems to be particularly addressed to the literary world, I shall beg leave to direct the attention of your readers to a work of considerable merit, in the hope that it may find among them a translator. The work

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I allude to, is entitled *Disputationes Camaldulenses*. The following account of this performance is given by the Rev. Mr. Greswell :

"Lorenzo de' Medici, the true Mæcenas of his age, (says he) with a view to pass the sultry season more agreeably, having assembled some of the most eminent literary persons in the grove of Camaldoli, amongst whom were Marsilio Ficino, Donato Acciajuoli, Alamanno Rinuccini, Christoforo Landino, and Leon Battista Alberti; and the conversation turning on such topics as might be expected, the latter in several learned discourses satisfactorily proved, that under many of the fictions of the *Aeneid* the sublimest mysteries of philosophy were concealed; and that Virgil was in reality a philosopher in the disguise of a poet. The substance of his discourses on this occasion, was recorded by Landino, and published in his work entitled *Disputationes Camaldulenses*."

To the various merits of this work Mr. Roscoe bears testimony, while, at the same time, he opens a most pleasing and interesting view of it. Is it not to be wondered at that a work so recommended should still remain un-translated, while the English press groans with translations of the flimsy and immoral modern productions of France and Germany!

I shall also beg leave, Sir, to direct the notice of your readers to another work of considerable merit, which will too, I trust, find a translator among them, I mean the *Dialogue on the Vicissitudes of Fortune*, by Poggio Bracciolini.—This Dialogue, says Mr. Shepherd, "inculcates maxims of sublime philosophy, enforced by a detail of splendid and striking events. The account which it contains of the changes which took place in Italy at the end of the fourteenth, and at the commencement of the fifteenth centuries, presents a succinct and clear view of the politics of that period; and the Journey of the Venetian traveller merits the attentive perusal of the curious inquirer into the history of mankind." To this powerful recommendation of the work in question by the able biographer of Poggio, I shall only add, that I hope the *Dialogue on the Vicissitudes of Fortune* will soon appear in an English garb.

Permit me to enquire whether or not the *Dramaturgia* of Lessing, or *L'Estratto dell'arte Poetica d'Aristotele, e considerazione su la medessima*, by Metastasio, have been yet translated into English? With the merits of the former, Mr. Pye has made us

acquainted; and of the latter, a slight analysis is given by Dr. Burney.

Before I dispatch these loose hints for translators, I shall beg leave to recommend a new version of Ovid's *Elegies*, with notes illustrative of the curious and interesting history of his exile; a subject which has been treated poetically by Politiano, and historically by the laborious Tiraboschi.

It is hardly necessary to add, that when any one determines to undertake a translation of any well-known work, he should publicly announce his intention. This precaution, for obvious reasons, is not necessary in the case of an original work.

I am, &c.

Feb. 4, 1804.

A. B.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

I OBSERVE in your intelligent magazine for May, Dr. Stenhouse's cure for the gout, which struck me so forcibly for its simplicity, &c. that I hastened to communicate it to a friend of mine, whose extremities are frequently afflicted with that painful disorder; but an elderly lady to whom I mentioned the mode of cure by steam, seemed so agitated by the suggestion, from a recollection of the ill effects this prescribed mode had upon her great-uncle, a gentleman in London, that I suspend the intended communication till I have the following questions fully answered, or the ill-effects of this mode refuted; for the purpose of which I submit to Dr. Stenhouse the following recital, which, for the good of the public, I hope he will not refuse to elucidate.

The gentleman above alluded to was so violently afflicted with the gout, from his knees to his lower extremities, that he was induced to try the effects of steam: he stood over a tub of boiling water, which occasioned a powerful steam to flow upwards all over his body. A Friend of his coming in at the same time, seemed surprised at this novel experiment, and exclaimed, What are you doing? Oh! any thing for ease—any thing for ease! which seemed the momentary effect. But alas! the real effect was, in a short time, to throw up the gout in his stomach, and occasion his immediate death. Such a recital necessarily alarmed me, least any one should hastily adopt this prescribed mode of cure, before Dr. Stenhouse, or his friend, had made a more full and varied trial of it. I am fully of the opinion it may be safe to practice it, when the inflammation is con-

fined either to the feet or hands ; but not when it approaches the vital part. By inserting this in your next, you will much oblige yours, and many other constant readers,

OBSERVER.

Rickmansworth, Herts, May 16, 1804.

For the Monthly Magazine.

THE PRESENT STATE OF SOCIETY, MANNERS, &c. AT TAUNTON.

(Continued from No. 115, p. 419.)

THE next improvement of the town was effected by the *Market-House Act*, obtained in 1768. The market was formerly held in the center of the town, on a triangular spot of ground, called the Island and the Cornhill ; on which stood the Guildhall, an assembly-room, several rows of stalls and standings, and some old houses ; most, if not all of which, to the number of fourteen, were occupied as public-houses. Under the powers and authority of the " *Market-House Act*" these edifices were taken down, an opening was left at once beautiful and salubrious, and on the scite was erected and finished, in 1772, a new market-house, on a model formed by the late Coplestone Warre Bamfylde, esq. This is an elegant building, the front of which looks to the north. The house is laid out into different apartments, for the purposes of justice, amusement, and pleasure. Two large wings, called *arcades*, accommodate the farmers and tradesmen ; while the butchery is constituted by moveable standings, placed in rows, on the area before the market-house. This area, which is open and spacious, is inclosed with posts and chains, and in the middle of it runs to the north a large pavement of broad stones, 216 feet long and 18 feet wide, called the *Parade*. Another advantage arising from the Act was lighting the town, by erecting glais lamps in the four principal streets, according to a power invested by it in the trustees.

A more recent and considerable alteration in the state of a principal part of the town, at once highly commodious and ornamental, has been effected by the operation of a bill, which Sir Benjamin Hammet obtained to be carried into an act of parliament in 1788 ; by which he was authorised to purchase and pull down two houses in the Fore-street, with several other contiguous buildings, and to lay open a passage in a direct line to St. Mary Magdalén's church, not less than 36 feet

wide, and to form a new street. Before this, the curious and elegant tower of St. Mary Magdalén's church was almost hid from view by buildings, and the access to the church was through a narrow lane, which did not permit a carriage to pass, without incommoding and endangering the foot-passengers ; and opposite to the great entrance to the church stood an old ruinous alms-house, displeasing to the eye and offensive to the smell. Sir Benjamin Hammet, under the sanction of this *Act*, at his own cost and risk, has opened a spacious avenue to the church, and built a street, called *Hammet Street*, of handsome houses, terminating in a large area, before the great door, and exhibiting the fine Gothic tower, to the full view of the spectator, from the Parade. The accommodation to the public is great, and the effect does honour to the taste that designed it.

The improvements which have been thus given to the town are so commodious and beautiful, so pleasing to the eye and so conducive to health ; so agreeable and useful, in point of convenience and morals ; and so captivating to the traveller ; that posterity must hold in grateful respect the taste which conceived them, and the public spirit from which they originated.—The town, by these improvements, now affords what for many years it wanted, houses for the reception of genteel families out of trade. Many circumstances invite the settlement of such in it : principally a large market on Saturday, well furnished with fish, both from the south and north channels, and plentifully stored with poultry, and all kinds of provisions, of the quality so rich a vale as Taunton-Dean may be expected to produce ; which, at the advanced prices to which the articles of food have arisen, are cheap in proportion compared with many markets in other parts of the kingdom. The tolls of the market are farmed at more than 100*l.* per annum, which serves to give the reader an idea of the number of standings occupied by the butchers, and of the quantity of other provisions, sold out of baskets of at stalls. Another market, chiefly consisting of fish, butcher's meat, vegetables and fruits, is held on Wednesday. The produce of the rich and extensive gardens near the town, and the flesh of the cattle fattened on its pastures, are exposed to sale almost every day in the week. But it is an agreeable and singular circumstance, that there is not one butcher's shop in the town ; all the meat being sold from moveable standings.

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The fairs of Taunton are two : one held on the 17th of June, in the middle of the town, for all sorts of cattle and horses, for one day only ; the other is kept on the north bridge and in the north town, on the 7th of July, and lasts for three days. The first of these opens very early in the morning, with the sale of considerable quantities of garlic, from barges. To this succeeds the fair for horses and cattle : the other two days are solely for pedlary and confectionary wares. The tolls of both fairs belong to the bishop of Winchester. On the first Saturday in November, 1789, commenced a "great market" for live cattle, to be held in future on the first Saturday in every month.—Besides the two stages directly from Taunton to London, which set out on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at seven in the morning, and return on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday ; there run through the town, every day, from Exeter, the mail-coach, through Bath, to London ; a stage to Bristol, and another to Bath. On Sunday and Thursday evenings arrives a coach from Barnstaple, in Devonshire, and leaves it, for that place, on Monday and Friday mornings. Within thirty years, there was only one sedan chair in the whole town, and that was the property of a private family : there are now six, at least, kept for hire. In 1765, was formed an annuitant society for the benefit of widows. Sunday-schools were opened in March 1788, to be supported from one common fund, arising from the joint subscriptions of the members of the established church, and of the dissenters from it, for the instruction of 200 children. The pen records, with concern, that this generous plan did not long preserve its force, nor does the institution exist to the extent on which it commenced. The schools that attended the worship of the parish churches, were in a few years broken up ; but the dissenters continued to support a school for each congregation ; and the methodists of Mr. Wesley's class have, lately, formed a large school of this description ; in which, with a laudable attention and zeal, some of the principal members of their society give their gratuitous attendance as teachers. It is an agreeable proof of the increasing taste for literature, that there are three reading-societies in this town : whereas, when the first was formed, in 1766, it was difficult to meet with even twelve gentlemen inclined to enter into such a literary association. In 1789, an attempt was made by a medical gentleman, of ardour

and benevolence of mind, Dr. Cox, who died in 1796, to establish a dispensary for the indigent sick ; but, as he opened it at his own expence, and sought not the concurrence of other medical gentlemen, except that of a particular friend, Mr. Trott, a surgeon, the humane design soon failed, for want of subscriptions and support, when nearly 300 patients had been relieved by it ; a number, indeed, sufficient to shew the expediency, utility, and efficacy, of such an institution ; and to recommend it to the humane and benevolent to resume it with vigour, and with the united concurrence of the professors of medicine, and the aids of the compassionate.

This account of Taunton must not close without some notice of its population. In 1689, when the poll-tax was laid on, the inhabitants, it is said, amounted to 20,000. In the reign of Queen Anne, it was called her "nursery for soldiers." The greatest number, that ever were polled, at elections, was in 1714, when 1017 were admitted to vote ; but this great number, it appeared, was formed by the illegal conduct of the mayor. It is undoubtedly certain, that since the year 1715, the number of inhabitants has greatly decreased. In or about the year 1790, the number of inhabitants was ascertained by going from house to house. The result was as follows : The amount of the number of

Houses inhabited, exclusively of Gray's, Huish's, Henley's, and Pope's almshouses, was 1118.

Houses uninhabited, inclusively of dwellings in Hammet's-street, not then finished, 47.

The families, 1199.

Males, 2384—Females, 3088—Souls in all 5472.

It is rather remote from the design of this article, which is meant to represent the present state of the town, rather than to give a general history of it, to go into a detail of the political transactions and revolutions of which it has been in different ages the theatre. It had a share in the contests of the Saxon kings, and in the civil wars between the houses of York and Lancaster. It became the scene of military action in the reign of Henry VII. Perkin Warbeck, who for five years harassed the government, soon after he landed at Whit-sand Bay, in Cornwall, and had failed in his attempt to take the city of Exeter, advanced to Taunton and seized the Castle, in 1497 : whither the king hastened after him with all speed ; but Warbeck's previous

vious flight from the town superseded an engagement, and left the king to the enjoyment of an unbloody triumph. In the unhappy civil wars under the reign of Charles I. it became, being considered as a key to the west of England, the object of a vigorous struggle between the Royal and Parliamentary forces, which should possess its fortress. In August, 1642, it was taken by the latter. In the next year, the Marquis of Hertford drove them from hence, and took possession of it in favour of the King. In 1644, Colonel Blake and Sir Robert Pye retook it for the Parliament. Early in the spring of 1645, a large body of forces to the amount of 10,000, marched to the attack of the town under Lord Young. By the length of the siege the town was reduced to great extremities; so that a French writer called Taunton, "the Saguntum of the Parliament," in allusion to the Saguntum in Spain. On the 11th of May the town was relieved by the approach of a brigade of Sir Thomas Fairfax's army; and the royal army, under an apprehension that the whole force of General Fairfax was on the march towards them, withdrew. This deliverance was celebrated for some years by acts of public devotion and anniversary sermons; and even within the memory of some living, the 11th of May has been observed with joy, as the mercies of it have been perpetuated in an historical song.

In the subsequent reign, the town became again the scene of popular commotions, and of royal revenge. The Duke of Monmouth, when he entered the town on June 18, 1685, was received with unusual demonstrations of joy. The streets were thronged with people; the houses and doors were garnished with boughs and flowers; and twenty six young ladies presented him with colours at the expence of the townsmen: the captain preceding them, with a naked sword in one hand, and a small curious bible in the other.

After the defeat of the rash and unhappy duke, when Lord Chief Justice Jeffries, "breathing death like a destroying angel, sanguined his very cruelties with blood," and sat out with a special commission to try all who had aided the duke, Taunton became the theatre of his warmest rage and cruelty. In this town and at Wells were more than 500 prisoners. Here 19 were executed: among whom were some very distinguished characters. The maidens who carried the colours before the duke, though some of them were children of eight or ten years old, were not suffered to escape the rigor of the

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Chief Justice's inquisition. One was committed to Dorchester gaol, where she died of the small-pox: another, terrified by the fierce countenance with which, on being produced before him, the judge looked at her, died not many hours after with fear. The survivors were excepted from the general pardon, which was afterwards issued. The sum of 7000l. as a Christmas box to the maids of honour, was demanded of their parents for their ransom; and proceedings were not dropped, till the sums of 100l. or 50l. had been gained from the parents of some of them.

But the cruelties of which, under the cloak of a judicial process this town was the scene, were surpassed by the violence and barbarity of Colonel Kirk's military executions. He came to Taunton with a number of prisoners, and two cart-loads of wounded men. Of these he immediately hanged nineteen, on the Cornhill, by military law, their wounds yet bleeding: endeavouring to overpower their dying cries, and the lamentations of the people and relatives, by the playing of pipes, the sound of the trumpet, and the beat of the drum. He one day, after a dinner given to his officers, commanded thirty men to be executed on the sign post of the inn; by ten at a time, while the glass went round in three healths; one to the king, a second to the queen, and a third to judge Jeffries. The mangled bodies of the victims of his cruelty were immediately stripped, their breasts cleaved asunder, and their hearts, while warm, were separately thrown into a large fire; and, as each was cast in, a great shout was raised, saying, "There goes the heart of a traitor." When their hearts were burnt, their quarters were boiled in pitch, and hung up in all the cross ways and public parts of the town and neighbourhood. For a full, particular, and interesting detail of these transactions, and of many particulars connected with a review of the state of the town, and of the transactions that have taken place in it, I refer to the "History of the town of Taunton," published in 1791. 4to. It shall be added here, that as the inhabitants of Taunton had severely suffered under the rod of oppression, no place, no town, hailed the revolution effected by William III. with greater ardour and gladness.—They flocked to the standard of the Prince of Orange; and the generosity of their zeal entitled on their posterity a burdensome and disproportioned quota towards the land tax.

JOSHUA TOULMIN.

Birmingham, May 24, 1804.

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To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

PERMIT me to point out a considerable error in the Statement of the net Produce of the Duties of Excise and Malt, &c. given in your number for May, p. 371, in the article of vinegar, which is there set down at 783,305l. but which sum, I presume, must have been meant for wine in the following line; and as the preceding sum 26,861l. set opposite to *Verjuice* is very probably the amount of the duty on *Vinegar* during the period mentioned, I apprehend the sum of 5600l. set opposite to *Wine* must have been intended for the article *Verjuice*, and that the mistake as far as respects these particular items, may have been only a transposition of the sums; but on casting up the total by the figures in the statement, you will find another error of upwards of 70,000l.; as it appears there to be 14,590,525l. but in fact is only 14,520,504l. As the value of these communications (of which it seems a continuation is intended) must depend on their accuracy, and the reputation of your Magazine may suffer by a repetition of similar mistakes, you will no doubt readily excuse the liberty taken in these remarks, by

A VINEGAR MAKER.

London, May 15, 1804.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

THE immense importance of the subject of Mr. Malthus's Essay on Population, induces me to hope for the admission of a few observations on the criticism on that work, inserted in your last Appendix.

Your reviewer remarks (see note to p. 614) that Mr. Malthus's reasoning (in answer to the objection that the urging the duty of moral restraint on the poor may ultimately tend to increase the vicious intercourse of the sexes) is not quite satisfactory. As, however, Mr. Malthus appeals to facts, I shou'd not have imagined, from the candour with which the Monthly Magazine has usually been conducted, that such an argument would have been dismissed with so slight a notice. The *countries in which Mr. Malthus has proved the preventive check to popula-

tion to be most prevalent, are (unless we must adopt an universal scepticism on the subject of national character) decidedly superior in their general morality, and particularly in what relates to the intercourse of the sexes, to the rest of Europe; nor are they at all inferior to their neighbours in those domestic virtues that arise from a prudent gratification of the passion which leads to a matrimonial union. In the country of the Grisons, I have been credibly informed that an instance of an illegitimate child is scarcely known, and in such a case the father would share the same disgrace with the mother.

The result of the Population Act tends strikingly to confirm the evidence afforded by the facts mentioned above: it appears that the preventive check to population (calculating from the proportion of annual marriages to the whole population) is greatest, not (as theory would lead us to expect) in the metropolis, or the large manufacturing towns, where vicious habits are most prevalent, but in the mountainous districts of Wales and the North of England, and in the more healthy parts of the country, where the inhabitants are chiefly employed in agriculture, and where we naturally look for greater purity of manners. All this seems to confirm the supposition of Mr. Malthus, that the temptations arising from the restraint of natural passions in a state of celibacy, are not so difficult to be withheld as those from extreme poverty. I believe it will be allowed that it is the latter cause, together with the degradation of mind usually attending it, that chiefly contributes to fill our streets with prostitutes; and thus renders the virtue of moral restraint so unusual among the other sex. The example of America proves, that early and universal marriages, even where they do not produce poverty, are not so compleat a remedy for the evils of an illicit intercourse of the sexes, as from theory might have been supposed: their towns seem, from the accounts of travellers, to be not inferior in licentiousness to those of the Old World; and even in the country, the manners are by no means so pure as in many parts of Europe, since the birth of an illegitimate child is not at all uncommon, nor is it considered as bringing any indelible disgrace on either of its parents.

I shall conclude these desultory remarks with the mention of a circumstance which is of importance, as it fully refutes the vulgar notion of the physical bad consequences of protracting the usual term of celibacy; and proves that late marriages do

* England, Scotland, Norway, and Switzerland—perhaps, in speaking of this last country, the past tense may now with more propriety be used than the present.

do not (as is commonly supposed) necessarily produce a puny offspring : that is, that the countries in which Mr. Malthus observes the preventive check to population to be most prevalent, are among those which Hufeland (in his Treatise on the Art of Prolonging Life) remarks as most distinguished for the longevity of their inhabitants. I am, Sir,

Cambridge,
April 21, 1804.

Your's, &c.
J. B.

For the Monthly Magazine.

INTRODUCTION to the STUDY of ARCHEOLOGY, or the KNOWLEDGE of ANTIQUE MONUMENTS. From the FRENCH of A. L. MILLIN, CONSERVATOR of the MUSEUM of ANTIQUITIES in PARIS, &c. &c.

(Continued from No. 114, p. 335.)

OF LITERARY HISTORY.

TO make any progress in archeology it is necessary to unite the literary history and bibliography of that science. Notwithstanding the connection which reciprocally subsists between them, these two sciences are very distinct from each other ; the former treating of the substance of the literary productions, of epochs and events, of the sciences, and of the lives of the men by whom they have been cultivated ; while the latter discusses the object of the works, and their arrangement and distribution. It is as agreeable to know the history of the science which is to be studied, as it is necessary to be acquainted with the books in which the solution of the difficulties that may be encountered is to be found.

Several authors (among whom may be cited Struve, Heumann, and Denis) have written general works on literary history ; others have adopted, with Lambeccius and Professor Saxe, the chronological method ; others again, such as Fabricius, Harles, and Tiraboschi, the geographical method : and others, lastly, the analytical method. Professor Oberlin, in a small, but very valuable work, which he employs in his courses of literary history, has combined these different plans.

Literary history is either general or special :—general, when it embraces the whole extent of the history of the sciences ; and special, when it treats of a part only. The latter, as it refers to archeology, is to engage our immediate and exclusive attention. The history of that science, and that of the distinguished men of letters who have made it the object of their

pursuit, will be cursorily reviewed ; at the same time that the productions of the latter will be analyzed and pointed out ; to the end, that those who have not the time to enter deeply into the study of antiquities, and who merely seek a superficial information calculated to bestow a greater interest on their reading and their travels, may also know something of the history of the science ; may recollect, when it is necessary, the works they may consult with advantage ; and may, at the least, be acquainted with the epochs when the writers existed, and the countries which gave them birth.

The study of archeology, and that of the monuments, more particularly require the union of an infinite number of attainments. To acquire the habit of judging correctly, it is necessary to have seen a great deal. To explain the monuments in a satisfactory manner, it is essential to possess the Greek and Latin languages, and to be acquainted with the modern tongues, so as to avoid giving as new what may already have been described. A knowledge of history in general, and of Greece and Rome in particular, is also indispensable. To penetrate into the obscurity of the heroical times, information must be obtained of whatever relates to the different branches of mythology. The history of the art, of the artists, and of their works, is next to be acquired, and should be followed by a profound study of the medals and inscriptions. These acquirements should all of them be founded on a knowledge of the true sources, and on an attentive and well-digested perusal of the Greek and Latin classics. It is also necessary to be initiated in the mysteries of the mechanism and poetry of the arts.

How happy the individual who is able to unite all these advantages ! He indeed is fortunate who possesses the greater part of them ; but without a knowledge of several of them, at the least, it is impossible to make any progress in antiquities.

History of Archeology.

The History of Archeology is comprehended in that of the authors by whom it has been treated, and will be understood in proportion as we shall proceed to study its different parts. It is sufficient to know in general, that it occupied the attention of the Ancients, as is proved by the Voyage of Paulanias, in which he describes the different monuments of Greece. The reduction of this branch of knowledge into theory, which alone can entitle it to

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the name of a science, is, however, to be considered as a modern invention, and its study as of a recent origin.

Dante, Petrarch, and several others of the restorers of learning by whom their example was followed, laid the first foundations of this science, by a search after the manuscripts of the classical authors in the monasteries in which they were immersed. In the first instance, nothing more was attempted than to come at and explain the ancient inscriptions; the taste for antique medals being more recent, and of the date of the sixteenth century. It was the sequel of the early enquiries; but the monuments, in which are recognized the rules of art and the effect of genius, did not as yet attract the attention of the learned.

The reasoning on the theory of painting, instituted in the fourteenth century, was principally owing to the discovery of several monuments, baths, tombs, &c. which had been buried in the earth; and more especially of the seven vaults which the Italians denominate *Sette Celle*, and in one of which the Laocoön, and several paintings in *fresco*, were found. From the study imitation, and comparison of these monuments, Raphael derived the lessons of his art, and acquired the title of the greatest painter of his age. Although these vaults have been so much neglected, that the spot where they lie is not at present known, still the advantages they produced, and the principles which the great masters drew from them, have been transmitted to our time.

Raphael and Michael Angelo bestowed all their attention on antique monuments. The former imitated, in his compositions, a great number of cameos and statues; and this has given rise to the imputation, unquestionably false, that he destroyed several ancient monuments; to the end, that the source and origin of the figures which he had merely imitated should not be found.

At that time those who were possessed of any share of erudition likewise deemed it necessary to examine the engraved stones and statues. Accordingly several enormous volumes on fabulous history made their appearance, embellished with engravings of the monuments, which led to their explanation.

But in these efforts the art did not participate. It was reserved for Caylus to open the career; for Winckelmann to enlarge it, without, however, closing it; and for Mengs, Sulzer, Heyne, and Visconti,

to immortalize themselves by treading in their steps.

Archeological Bibliography.

After this brief exposition of the literary history of archeology, it will be proper to enter into some details relative to Archeological Bibliography, which, however it may have been neglected, is certainly indispensable. To be thoroughly acquainted with a science, it is necessary to know the different works in which it is treated, and to be enabled not only to find them, whenever they are to be consulted, in the bibliographical order in which they are arranged in public and private libraries, but likewise to follow that arrangement in forming a collection.

To convey a knowledge of the books, the use of which may be necessary, catalogues, styled *bibliothecæ*, (libraries) have been drawn up, and are either general or special. Among the latter are arranged the catalogues, in which there is question of the works only that have for their object a particular part of the science, such as the Numismatic Library of Banduri, that of Hirsch, the Dactyliographic Library of Mariette, &c.

In treating of each branch of the archeological science, the special catalogues or libraries will be pointed out; at present, the general libraries must alone fix our attention.

At the end of the *Bibliotheca Numaria* of Labbe, is to be found a short supplement, containing a catalogue of the books on the different parts of antiquities. This catalogue is, however, so inconsiderable as to afford but little information.

Johannes Albertus Fabricius announced, in 1709, his intention of publishing a Library of the Works on Archeology. At the end of his edition of the Treatise of Vogt, on the Antique Altars of the Christians, he had already given a very short catalogue of the books of that description. This catalogue he augmented and published separately in 1703, with the title of *Bibliotheca Antiquaria*, in one quarto volume. A second edition, with additions, appeared in 1716; and, lastly, a third edition, which is the best. This latter edition was edited by Paul Schaffhausen.

The author has had principally in view to collect the works on the Jewish and Christian antiquities. Having annexed to them a list of the dissertations contained in the *Thesaurus Magnus* of Grævius, and in that of Gronovius, he afterwards points out the best productions on geography

phy and history; and, lastly, the *Monographies*, or separate treatises on different subjects of antiquity. It may be objected to this work, that it is deficient in method and arrangement, which might have been better; but this defect is supplied by two ample indexes, one of the subjects, the other of the authors. On the whole, it is a work the advantages of which cannot be denied, and furnishes a great help to the study of archeology.*

The *Bibliotheca Bunaviana*, or catalogue of the celebrated library of Count Bunau, is likewise of great utility in acquiring a knowledge of the books which relate to archeology. It is more methodically arranged than the *Bibliotheca Antiquaria* of Fabricius; but, as it does not contain any other notices than those of the works comprised in the library of the above celebrated antiquary, must be regarded as incomplete. It is certain, at the same time, that the library in question was very extensive.

The *Bibliotheca Historiae* of Meusel contains likewise the titles of a great number of productions on Jewish, Egyptian, Greek, and Roman antiquities. These titles are frequently accompanied by short notices and by bold judgments, dictated by a just and sound criticism.

The Alphabetical Tables of the authors cited in the short elementary treatises of Professor Oberlin, also present a vast and extensive nomenclature of works on antiquities. Many singular treatises, the knowledge of which may be of great utility, are pointed out in them.

Oliverius Legipontius, among his dissertations on literary history and antiquities, has published one which appears to have

some relation to our subject: it is entitled, *De Rei Numariae ac Litbologiae Studio*. He has confined himself, however, to a few precepts on the numismatic science.

Treatises on Archeology.

After having treated the subject of archaeological bibliography, to which the name of literary archeology is much more appropriate than to the branch of the science to which Erneiti has applied it, the general treatises, or those which lead to the study of antiquities, come under consideration.

On this subject nothing is to be met with, except a few dictionaries, more or less extensive in their plan, and more or less perfect in their execution; such as the Dictionary of Antiquities in the Methodical Encyclopedia, that of Chompré, &c. I do not speak of those of Pitteus and Furgault, because they are merely special, and have an entire reference to Roman antiquities.

The *Thesaurus Magnus* of Greek Antiquities by Grævius, and that of Roman antiquities by Gronovius, are immense collections of *Monographies* on different subjects. The catalogue of them is contained in several works; but this great compilation does not present an *ensemble*, notwithstanding the editor has observed a certain degree of method in arranging the different treatises.

It may, indeed, be said that an universal treatise of antiquities does not exist; and this science is so extensive, that it is perhaps not possible to embrace all its parts collectively. Relatively to the enquiry, whether there are any general treatises on the two great divisions of archeology, it should be noticed, that the only general work on the part of the manners and usages is that of the celebrated Montfaucon,* in five volumes, which form ten parts in folio, with five supplementary volumes. The principal aim of the author has been to explain the manners and usages of the Ancients, conformably to the monuments he had collected from every part of

* Johannes Albertus Fabricius was born at Leipzig in 1667. He spent nearly the whole of his life at Hamburg, where he had taken up his residence, and where he died in 1736, at the age of sixty-eight years. He had a very extensive memory, and an extreme facility in writing. He never lost an instant; and, accordingly, the catalogue of his works is so extensive, that it is surprising he should have been enabled to complete any one of them. He is justly regarded as one of the best philologists. His principal works are, his Greek Library; his Latin Library; his Library of the middle Age; his Memoirs of the Men of Letters of Hamburg, and the Inscriptions contained in that City, with Commentaries; besides several productions of nearly an equal import. His life has been published by Niceron in his Memoirs; and in Germany, Reimann has composed a particular Biography of Fabricius.

* This learned Benedictine was born in Languedoc, in 1655. After having been engaged for a short time in military pursuits, he entered, in 1675, into the Congregation of St. Maur, and applied himself, with an indefatigable ardour and zeal, to the study of the languages, and to that of antiquities. He died, in 1748, at the age of eighty-three years. During the course of a long and very laborious life, he published a great number of works; of which, those only that have a reference to archeology need be cited in this place.

of the globe, and which he has classed accordingly. It is unfortunate that he has sometimes adapted monuments without subjecting them to a rigid criticism, and that he has frequently been misled by incorrect drawings. Notwithstanding this, his work is a collection of infinite value to those who are desirous to acquire a knowledge of the manners and usages of the Ancients, combined with that of the monuments.

Schatz, formerly one of the professors of the University of Strasburg, printed at Nuremberg, in the Latin and German languages, an abridgement of the above work, in one folio volume, and with a hundred and fifty plates. The number of monuments which have been discovered since the death of Montfaucon, renders a new edition of his complete work, with the additions of which it is susceptible, a great desideratum to the lovers of antiquities.

Treatises on Archeography.

A variety of general treatises have been composed on this subject. Several of the authors have adopted the analytical order; others, the chronological order; others, again, the geographical order; and others, lastly, the alphabetical order.

Among those who have followed the analytical order, may be comprehended the writers who have, in treating of the monuments, distributed them into different classes, such as the edifices, the inscriptions, the medals, &c. The chronological authors are those who have followed the art, in general, in its different degrees of perfection at different epochs, and have applied this mode of procedure to its different branches. The geographical, those who have classed the monuments according to the countries in which they are to be found. And, lastly, the lexicographical, those who have formed dictionaries relative to archeography. The principal general treatises on that science, treated according to the different methods above pointed out, are now to be considered.

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place. The most considerable of them is his *Antiquity Explained*, a short account of which is given in the text. It was followed by a Description of the Monuments of the French Monarchy, in five folio volumes. He composed likewise a Greek Paleography, which contains many curious particulars relative to antiquities and the manuscripts of the Greek writers. His Eulogy has been published by M. de Boze, in the Memoirs of the Academy of Belles-Lettres, and in the Literary History of the Congregation of St. Maur.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

THE state of the *Bristol Asylum* for the *Indigent Blind*, as it appears from the accounts of that institution for the year 1802, may justly claim a place among the valuable materials of your excellent publication.

Of almost all charitable institutions, one that provides for the education of the **BLIND**, is, perhaps, the most laudable. It relieves human beings, whose condition is, without such relief, at once the most helpless and the most disconsolate. What is more, the charity is not here, as in many other cases, the mere hopeless indulgence of amiable and Christian feelings. It is, by the mercy of Divine Providence, completely *effectual*. The **INDIGENT BLIND**, admitted to the benefit of such an institution as that which exists here, become almost as if they received their sight. A new day-spring of cheerfulness is let in upon their minds; and they are taught to practise arts by which, with honest industry, they may, in independence and honour, earn subsistence for themselves.

The total sum of the **DONATIONS** received up to the 31st of December, 1802, was 2,278l. 5s. 7d.—The sum of the annual subscriptions is 240l. 8s.—The other particulars are well communicated in the following extracts from the last **ACCOUNTS**.

Receipts to the 31st of December, 1802.		
Cash received for baskets	£.390	5 5
Ditto for white rods	- - -	35 2 0
Ditto for cloth and laces	-	13 12 1
		438 19 6

Disbursements to the 31st of December, 1802.

Two masters for instructing the blind	- - - - -	74 4 0
Secretary	- - - - -	31 10 0
Mistress	- - - - -	17 18 4
Blind persons for work	- - - - -	166 0 3
Extra work	- - - - -	17 19 0
Bread given to the blind	-	3 16 6
Willows, hazels, &c.	- - - - -	130 13 3
Sorting, stripping, and haul- ing ditto	- - - - -	26 19 4
Flower-baskets	- - - - -	19 15 0
Painting ditto	- - - - -	4 12 5
Bottoms for ditto	- - - - -	8 15 7
Dying skeins	- - - - -	1 10 9
Common baskets	- - - - -	20 15 10
Flax, tagging laces, &c.	- - - - -	8 1 9
Weaving and bleaching linen,	-	8 14 8
Coals, candles, &c.	- - - - -	5 0 8
		546 7 4

The economy of the Institution, the support it has obtained, the manufactures which the blind have been educated to produce, and the general moderation of the expence, are sufficiently evident from the foregoing extracts. The society has farther laid out nearly 2,000l. in the purchase of a house, and possesses between 300l. and 400l. in the Three per cent. Consols.

Bristol, June 1, 1804.

R. B.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

If the annexed topographical remarks on parts of France and Spain, hitherto not often described, shall appear to deserve a place in your excellent repository, I may, perhaps, from time to time, furnish you with some communications of the same sort, from original notes made on the spots mentioned.

As these remarks chiefly relate to objects not of a transient nature, nor liable to undergo much alteration, in the course of even many years, the justness of my observations can be but little affected by the time elapsed since they were made.

I am, &c. MONANDER.

London, May 15, 1804.

A TRIP from BAYONNE, in FRANCE; to SAINT SEBASTIAN, in SPAIN.

HAVING provided a couple of horses, and a guide to accompany us on foot, we left Bayonne, at three in the afternoon of the 6th of June, 1788, and arrived about six, at *Saint John de Luz*. The remainder of the evening was employed in viewing the harbour and bay, where great works were carrying on, to form a port capable of sheltering men of war, and other vessels of the largest size.

The Bay of *St. John de Luz*, is situated in the angle of the great Bay of *Biscay*, formed by the W. coast of *Gascony*, in France, and the N. coast of *Guipuscoa*, in Spain.

It is of an oval shape, having its longest diameter from W. S. W. to E. N. E. about $1\frac{1}{2}$ English miles; and the shortest, at right angles to the other, from the entrance to the bottom of the Bay, above $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile.

The distance between the points at the entrance is nearly as much.

The depth of water in the mouth, is 50 French feet, excepting on a small rocky shore, lying a little nearer to the east than to the west point, on which the depth is only 24 feet; and within, all over the Bay, at the distance of $\frac{1}{2}$ of a mile from

the beach, there are from 25 to 33 feet of water.

These measures are all taken at low water, of the lowest spring-tides.

At the new and full moons, it is flood about three o'clock, when the tide rises twelve feet; but at neap tides, it rises only eight or nine feet.

It is evident, therefore, that the largest vessels may ride afloat, at low water, over the greatest part of the Bay.

On the east point of the entrance, which is high and rocky, is the battery of *St. Barbara*, and on the west point is a small fort, inclosing the round Tower of *Soccoa*.

Under the shelter of this last point within the Bay, a couple of piers have been built for the reception of the small vessels belonging or trading to St. John.

The Bay lies open to the north-west winds, which send in a prodigious sea from the Atlantic, rendering it of very little use, precisely at the time when vessels are the most in want of its protection.

The importance of a station for the navy, at the very extremity of France, especially as from St. John all the way to the mouth of the *Garonne*, a stretch of above 150 miles, there is no port where vessels embayed with westerly winds, can hope for refuge; these and other reasons, political and military, induced the court of *Versailles*, in 1780, seriously to attempt improvements of magnitude in this Bay.

It is true, that about fifteen miles north-east from St. John de Luz, the river *Adour* falls into the sea, and is navigable for middling-sized vessels three miles up to Bayonne: but there is a bar at the mouth of the river, on which, at low water, the depth is only five or six feet.

At spring tides, the water rises twelve feet more: but after all, to enable a vessel drawing fourteen feet, to enter the Adour, four circumstances would be requisite, which can hardly be expected ever to meet: these are a smooth sea, a fair wind, a high tide, and no strong current out of the river.

Again, more than halfway from the Adour and the *Garonne*, there is the basin or inlet of *Arcajou*; but, on account of the sand-banks and shallow water, it can be of no use, but to fishing-boats and other small craft.

The improvements projected at St. John de Luz, consisted chiefly in carrying out from the east point, a mole or pier as far as the sunken rock already mentioned, and another from the west point, directed so much outwardly, as to cover the east mole from the violence of the sea, but leaving

leaving between the two extremities, a passage of 150 fathoms into the Bay, which might then easily accommodate as far as twelve sail of the line, with a large proportion of frigates and other smaller vessels.

Notwithstanding the difficulties and expense of this undertaking, in June 1788, the east mole was carried out a little beyond low-water-mark, and the west had nearly arrived at a similar point.

Hitherto the moles had advanced with security, founded on ledges of rock running out from each side of the bay; but the most arduous part of the work remained to be executed. Opinions were divided as to the best mode of accomplishing the object; but the favourite scheme was to eke out what had already been done, by ranges of *cones*, sunk in the sea, at proper distances one from another, as had been begun at Cherbourg, opposite to Portsmouth.

The works at St. John began now to feel the effects of the derangement of the finances of France, and of other causes, which soon after led to the eventful revolution of that devoted country.

In 1788, only 250 men from the garrison of Bayonne were employed there; whereas, in the preceding year, a whole regiment had been regularly at work.

The appearance of the sea in this corner, during or after a gale of wind, was described to us to be magnificently tremendous: but we had the mortification to view it after a long tract of summer calms, when not a single shipwreck enlivened the scene.

The town of St. John, a small irregular place, lying on the bottom of the Bay, has gradually retired before the assault of the waves. In 1782, the sea broke down a strong rampart or *estacade*, compacted of timber and stone, which lined the shore, at the usual high-water mark, and levelled with the ground a convent of Ursuline nuns, with many other buildings, the ruins of which were still visible among the sands.

The little river *Nivelle* comes down from the Pyrenees, and running through the town, is, by means of jetties, rendered capable of admitting small vessels at high water: but it is intended to take advantage of this stream, and of the low grounds through which it passes, to construct basins and docks for ships of the greatest burthen.

The ground within the Bay is, in general, sand; but, in many places, interspersed with rocks.

The moles at the entrance, were about 60 feet broad at the foundation, but diminished to 40 feet on the top, including the parapet on the outside.

The trade of St. John de Luz was but inconsiderable, consisting chiefly in a share of the Newfoundland fishery.

The road hitherto from Bayonne lay, in general, over sandy downs, in many places covered with heath and fern; but the eye was occasionally relieved by the view of a cultivated spot, or a clump of trees.

The prospect on the right hand extended over the sea, until it met the lofty irregular coast of Biscay; while that to the left, and in front, was closely hemmed in by the majestic Pyrenees, gradually approaching the shore.

Beyond St. John the country is better peopled and cultivated, with small inclosures, surrounded with hedge-rows of trees.

Leaving St. John early in the morning, we travelled about eight miles over this tract, which, though low, is not level, until we arrived on the banks of the *Bidassoa*, here separating France from Spain.

As we went down to the water's edge, a French invalid advanced from his guard-house to examine our passport, and to receive the usual present of a shilling.

The *Bidassoa*, being a boundary stream, is considered as neutral, both French and Spanish boatmen plying at the ferry.

Each nation has, or claims, a privilege of wasting to the opposite bank all travellers proceeding from its own side of the river. Thus, whilst we were ferried over to Spain by Frenchmen, another party were conveyed to France by Spaniards.

On the Spanish bank stands a guard-house, with the arms of the kingdom on the frontispiece.

The river *Bidassoa*, or *Vidassoa*, (for the word is spelled both ways, as the letters *b* and *v*, have, in the Spanish language, very nearly the same sound, and are frequently written and printed interchangeably,) rushes down with great rapidity from the Pyrenees, until it reaches the flat country, at their feet, a short way up from the ferry: there it is divided into a number of channels inclosing small islands, of which one has acquired some celebrity in history.

In this spot were held the conferences between Cardinal *Mazarine* and Don *Lewis de Haro*, ministers of France and Spain, for arranging matters between the two countries, by what is called the Peace of the Pyrenees.

It was during this negociation that Don Lewis, in conversation with a friend, made a remark on the Cardinal, pregnant with important truth, and which it is, to this day a constant rule in *Utopia* to inscribe in letters of gold, in the beginning of the Instructions given to every ambassador and negotiator, before he proceed on his mission to foreign parts.

"The Cardinal," said the Spanish minister, "has one defect; but it is a radical defect, and the greatest a negotiator can have: *he is perpetually contriving how he may deceive those with whom he has to treat.*"

In the same little island took place the exchange of the chivalrous *Francis I.* who had been made a prisoner at the fatal battle of *Pavia*, in 1525, for his sons, who were to remain in the hands of *Charles V.* as hostages, for the fulfillment of the engagements contracted by their unfortunate father.

Francis, after hastily embracing his children, was landed in his own dominions, where instantly mounting a charger provided for him, he drew his sword, flourished it over his head, and calling out, "*I am once more a king!*" galloped off in the midst of his enraptured attendants.

This spot was, in days of yore, called the Isle of Pheasants; certainly not from its having been a favourite abode of those birds: but since the Peace of the Pyrenees, it has retained the name of the Isle of the Conference.

It is low and marshy, and often overflowed at high tides, or floods in the river.

There was no resisting the temptation, we, therefore, by a small extra-payment, were allowed to step on it for a couple of minutes.

At last we were landed in Spain, and proceeded down the river-bank for about a mile to *Jrun*, now a small town, but once, it is said, much more considerable.

It is customary here for travellers to present themselves before the *Alcalde*, to have their passports verified: but we had other reasons for waiting on this magistrate: we purposed to return to France by *Fontarabia*, which lies at the mouth of the *Bidassoa*; and for this purpose, a special permission was necessary, because the custom-house is established at *Jrun*.

This permission we readily obtained, together with a licence to carry out of Spain a much larger sum of *specie* than we could possibly want.

These matters being arranged, our guide conducted us to what he called a

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good inn, which had much the air of a great barn, with an arched doorway in the end towards the street.

In one corner we put up our horses; in another lay a sow with a litter of thirteen; the third corner served as a kitchen; and in the fourth were placed the beds. Notwithstanding these unpromising appearances, we made a hearty breakfast on Spanish bread, Dutch cheese, and French wine, all of excellent quality; and about nine in the morning, pursued our journey for *St. Sebastian*.

At *Jrun* we quitted the great road to *Madrid*, opened and kept up across the Pyrenean ridges, with great skill, and at a very considerable expence.

This road was throughout so much improved, that, for the first time, a diligence had been lately established, to run regularly between *Bayonne* and *Madrid*.

Our route turned down westwardly to the right, crossing a succession of low hills and vales, covered with wood; but here and there presenting a cottage in the midst of a spot of cultivated ground.

This road we were told was used only during summer, and that in the winter, travellers generally took another route.

Travelling three hours, at a slow pace, we came to *Leffo*, a village situated at the S.E. extremity of the bay or harbour of *Port Passage*.

Here we sent the guide and horses round the bottom of the Bay, to wait for us on the other side, and embarked in a large boat, rowed by four women, who, in half an hour, landed us in the town of *Passage*.

This bay, or harbour, is formed by the sea entering through a narrow winding inlet, across a high rocky ridge of hills, which line the shore, from the mouth of the *Bidassoa* to *St. Sebastian*. Its name is *Jaysquivel*, a word meaning in the aboriginal language of *Biscay*, the shoulder of the mountain, as being a protuberance from the Pyrenees, abutting on the sea.

The mouth of *Port Passage* lies in N. lat. $43^{\circ} 20' 10''$. and in long. E. from the marine observatory at *Cadiz*, $4^{\circ} 21' 30''$. The width, at the entrance, is about ninety fathoms; but it diminishes in some places to fifty, farther up the inlet, which lies, in general, in a direction from N.N.W. to S.S.E. on a length of nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ of a mile.

The sea, after piercing through the ridge of *Jaysquivel*, spreads over a large tract of low ground, at the mouths of three rivulets, assuming the appearance of a basin, entirely land-locked. This

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bason, however, is so shallow as, at low water, to become dry, excepting just in the channels of the rivulets: so that vessels drawing more than ten feet of water, must remain in the inlet or entrance, towards the inner end, in from three to five fathoms depth at the lowest ebb.

It is high water here at fall and change, at three o'clock, when the tide rises twelve feet.

The tradition of the country is, that, in ancient times, the inner basin was very deep; but that it has been gradually shallowed by the accumulation of materials brought from the mountains after rains: and the tradition has probably been founded on observation of the fact.

When we were at Port Passage, there were two fifty-gun ships and some frigates at anchor in the entrance; but, from the appearance of the town, docks, forts, &c. government seemed to have paid but little attention to the place.

It is true, indeed, that only a small number of vessels can be accommodated here, and that great care is requisite in going in and out, in order to keep clear of those at anchor, as well as of the rocky shores, which spring suddenly up from the water's edge, to a great height, on both sides.

As we had heard a great deal about the excellence of this port, our expectations were raised, and consequently disappointed: but the *coup d'œil* of the bay, with its arms rearing up between the rising grounds; the magnificence of the entrance, cut through a mountain, intended, as it were, by nature, to ward off the attacks of the ocean; these and many other particulars, of which we had neither heard nor read one word, gave us very high pleasure. It has been already mentioned, that we were rowed across the harbour by *women*. The *men* of all this north coast of Spain, a most hardy, active, and enterprising race, inhabiting a very mountainous tract, which affords but little employment for them on shore, are extremely attached to a sea-faring life.

At this time they were abroad in the fishery and other branches of navigation; so that home labour, of various sorts, had entirely devolved to the females; of whom some, from their frequent intercourse with British vessels, made a shift to express themselves in tolerable Sea-English.

All along this coast, the inhabitants are extremely ready to go off to vessels appearing near the land, to pilot or tow them into port. Those of Port Passage and St. Sebastian have a peculiar regu-

lation, by which the boat which first reaches the vessel at sea, must of necessity be received; and each person in her is entitled to demand twelve *reals* of *vellon*, or about half-a-crown sterling.

The other boats may, or may not, be engaged, at the option of the commander of the vessel; but, if engaged, their crews are entitled to only nine *reals*, or 2*2½* pence, each person.

Our female sailors recounted endless stories of the loss of fathers and brothers, husbands and sons, in these dangerous struggles, often in the most boisterous weather.

The variation of the magnetic needle at Port Passage, in 1787, was found, by accurate experiments, to be 20 deg. 40 min. westerly.

(To be continued.)

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

THE observations of your correspondent OEDIPUS, concerning the *Sarcophagus* of ALEXANDER, did not, till within these few days, fall in my way.

In page 4 of your Magazine for February, is the following passage:—“The last sentence, Sir, was falling from my pen, when I received the information that Mr. Clarke, who has deserved well of the world for his researches, is now employed in adducing proofs that the Sarcophagus of the Museum was really the tomb of Alexander!” Allow me to acquaint Oedipus, that his information is erroneous; for Mr. Clarke's testimonies on this subject were adduced *above twelve months ago*; and, to satisfy the curiosity of friends, liberally communicated to them. Let me add, as they are now in the press, the public will soon perceive, that, if Oedipus were a stranger to them till the time of his writing, he is more of a conjurer than himself is aware.

DAVUS.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

E BORACENSIS returns his best thanks to A Porter-Drinker, and Dr. Carey, for their obliging communications on the subject of malt-liquor, which he hopes they will extend at their leisure; he will also be obliged to any of the readers of the Monthly Magazine, who can inform him where Rolleston's *Dissertation on Barley-wine* is to be met with, as he has seen a reference to it, without being able to find where it is to be had.

April 17, 1804.

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THE POPULATION ACT.

COUNTY OF NOTTINGHAM.

PARISH, TOWNSHIP, OR Extra-parochial Place.	HOUSES.		PERSONS.		OCCUPATIONS.			TOTAL OF PERSONS.
	Inhabited.	By how many Families occupied.	Males.	Females.	Persons chiefly employed in Agriculture.	Ditto in Trade, Manufactures, or Handicraft.		
HUNDRED OF								
Basset Law—Hatfield Division.....	2,422	2,814	6,381	6,636	2,497	1,714	13,017	
North Clay do.	1,582	1,710	3,778	4,016	2,043	1,416	7,794	
South Clay do.	1,143	1,260	2,932	3,054	1,612	416	5,986	
Bingham	1,827	1,930	4,453	4,699	2,785	1,076	9,152	
Broxtow	6,723	7,131	17,190	17,738	3,625	12,770	34,928	
Newark	1,056	1,163	2,719	2,641	2,599	489	5,360	
Rushcliffe	1,473	1,607	4,181	3,943	2,193	1,301	8,094	
Thurgarton	2,474	2,616	6,487	6,453	4,364	2,704	12,940	
LIBERTY OF								
Southwell and Scrooby	1,558	1,656	3,610	3,878	1,667	1,007	7,488	
TOWN OF								
Nottingham	4,977	6,707	13,729	15,132	267	11,693	28,861	
Newark	1,376	1,487	3,098	3,632	252	931	6,730	
Total	25,611	30,081	68,558	71,792	23,901	55,513	140,350	

COUNTY OF OXFORD.

HUNDRED OF							CITY OF	LIBERTY OF	the same
Bampton	2,260	2,581	5,817	6,253	2,888	2,117	12,070		
Banbury	1,575	1,700	3,872	4,104	1,858	1,933	7,980		
Binfield	1,394	1,476	3,135	3,533	1,406	893	6,668		
Bloxham	1,404	1,517	3,463	3,574	1,873	1,026	7,037		
Bullington	1,340	1,711	3,638	3,711	3,461	837	7,399		
Chadlington	2,128	2,630	5,886	6,049	3,966	721	11,935		
Dorchester	539	605	1,310	1,339	1,251	180	2,649		
Ewelme	934	1,071	2,272	2,442	2,291	693	4,714		
Langtree	632	636	1,548	1,620	1,737	523	3,168		
Lewknor	727	827	1,795	1,966	950	528	3,761		
Pirton	510	557	1,199	1,360	818	354	2,559		
Ploughley	2,016	2,270	4,883	5,010	5,513	2,346	9,393		
Thame	717	794	1,805	1,896	1,132	337	3,701		
Wootton	2,385	2,771	6,549	6,466	3,812	1,173	13,015		
CITY OF									
Oxford	1,827	2,230	5,920	5,774	146	1,647	11,694		
LIBERTY OF									
the same	213	324	644	733	7	721	1,377		
Total	20,599	23,750	53,786	55,834	33,169	15,346	109,620		

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COUNTY OF RUTLAND.							
PARISH, TOWNSHIP, OR Extra-parochial Place.	HOUSES.		PERSONS.		OCCUPATIONS.		TOTAL OF PERSONS.
	Inhabited.	By how many Families occu- pied.	Males.	Females.	Persons chiefly employed in Agriculture.	Ditto in Trade, Manufactures, or Handicraft.	
HUNDRED OF							
Alftoe	707	767	1,774	1,861	877	357	3,635
East	545	574	1,443	1,462	1,067	216	2,905
Martinsley	649	702	1,514	1,605	477	436	3,119
Oakham Soke	707	786	1,640	1,760	581	351	3,400
Wrandise	666	734	1,607	1,690	993	56	3,297
Total.	3,274	3,563	7,978	8,378	3,995	1,921	16,356

COUNTY OF SALOP.							
HUNDRED OF	TOWN OF	LIBERTIES OF	TOWN AND LIBERTIES OF	COUNTY			
Bradford, North	3,698	4,058	9,727	10,489	5,463	2,520	20,216
Bradford, South	5,096	5,456	14,144	13,569	4,967	11,349	27,713
Brimstrey	1,691	1,780	4,618	4,656	3,557	1,217	9,274
Candover	924	1,027	2,912	2,657	2,282	574	5,569
Chirbury	555	630	1,630	1,488	1,159	222	3,118
Ford	847	1,103	2,689	2,659	2,851	389	5,348
Munflow	1,666	1,710	4,189	4,328	4,069	715	8,517
Ofwestry	2,663	2,993	6,622	7,160	4,125	1,757	13,782
Overs	422	442	1,193	1,188	745	179	2,381
Pimhill	1,862	2,062	5,328	5,223	2,909	801	10,551
Purflow	1,573	1,701	4,338	4,332	5,110	515	8,670
Soddesden	2,082	2,218	5,622	5,638	3,645	1,598	11,260
Total	31,182	34,501	82,563	85,076	45,046	35,535	167,639

COUNTY OF SOMERSET.

PARISH, TOWNSHIP, OR Extra-parochial Place.	HOUSES.		PERSONS.		OCCUPATIONS.		TOTAL OF PERSONS.
	Inhabited.	By how many Families occu- pied.	Males.	Females.	Persons chiefly employed in Agriculture.	Ditto in Trade, Manufactures, or Handicraft.	
HUNDRED OF							
Abdick and Bullstone.....	1,406	1,659	3,936	4,132	2,647	2,151	8,068
Andersfield.....	329	378	938	966	1,285	193	1,904
Bath Forum.....	992	1,300	2,639	3,087	387	983	5,726
Bempstone.....	831	853	2,198	2,269	1,020	217	4,467
Brent with Wrington.....	524	710	1,415	1,572	668	272	2,987
Bruton.....	619	718	1,545	1,789	900	394	3,334
Cannington.....	722	814	1,977	2,100	1,879	405	4,082
Carhampton.....	1,264	1,423	3,146	3,470	3,019	1,173	6,616
Catast.....	1,053	1,205	2,783	2,977	1,257	845	5,760
Chew and Chewton.....	2,272	2,596	5,948	6,370	2,124	910	12,318
Crewkerne.....	910	997	2,157	2,623	957	791	4,780
Curry, North.....	517	550	1,290	1,367	1,426	107	2,657
Ferris Norton.....	836	909	2,072	2,417	1,469	1,416	4,489
Frome.....	2,902	3,207	7,267	8,207	1,376	4,569	15,474
Glaston.....	789	890	2,077	2,325	693	579	4,402
Hartcliffe with Bedminster.....	1,031	1,189	2,744	3,053	768	938	5,797
Horethorne.....	913	1,071	2,640	2,774	2,389	1,527	5,614
Hounborough.....	1,024	1,265	2,824	3,229	1,280	2,264	6,053
Keynsham.....	1,268	1,477	3,375	3,571	1,626	782	6,946
Kilmerdon.....	1,250	1,436	3,214	3,517	875	983	6,731
Kingbury.....	2,679	2,968	6,822	8,036	3,104	6,112	14,858
Martock.....	352	489	951	1,151	331	176	2,102
Milverton.....	654	715	1,624	2,110	1,831	934	3,734
Petherton, North and South.....	1,842	2,123	4,838	5,200	4,022	1,436	10,038
Pitney.....	195	240	622	658	282	99	1,280
Portbury.....	956	1,054	2,741	2,879	1,235	396	5,620
Somerton and Stone.....	1,648	1,938	3,674	4,129	1,750	3,063	7,803
Taunton Dean.....	1,481	1,865	4,120	4,460	3,811	1,412	8,580
Tintinhull.....	530	630	1,399	1,597	554	807	2,996
Wellow.....	897	1,004	2,522	2,587	726	801	5,059
Wells Forum.....	1,499	1,811	3,624	4,191	1,311	1,103	7,815
Whitestone.....	2,262	2,550	4,982	6,014	2,227	5,067	10,996
Whitley.....	1,523	1,786	4,389	4,842	2,983	573	8,731
Willerton and Freemanners.....	2,110	2,402	5,922	6,397	4,683	1,816	12,319
Winter Stoke.....	2,044	2,453	5,752	6,065	3,557	911	11,817
CITY OF							
Bath.....	4,289	6,510	12,441	19,759	483	6,103	32,200
TOWN OF							
Bridgwater.....	481	520	1,715	1,919	328	986	3,634
Taunton.....	1,146	1,308	2,450	3,344	176	699	5,791
Ilchester Gaol.....	—	—	125	—	—	—	125
Wilton Do.....	—	—	29	14	—	—	43
Total.	48,040	57,013	126,927	146,823	61,434	54,053	273,750

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ACCOUNT of a recent VOYAGE to MALTA.

MARCH 25, 1802, I embarked in the Downs, on board the Enterprise, merchant vessel, of 220 tons burthen, Cap^t. James Francis, commander; and after one unsuccessful attempt to begin our voyage, finally weighed anchor on the 29th, with a fresh gale from the north-north-east. We escaped, very providentially, a serious danger in the very act of getting under weigh. The violence of the wind and tide hurried our ship with such precipitation toward another, lying near us in the Downs, that all effort to prevent their collision proved ineffectual. We thought ourselves happy to escape from so violent a shock, without any other injury than the loss of the timbers which supported one of our boats, at the stern of the ship, and some slight damage to that part of the rigging which entangled with the other vessel. The gale of wind, March 30, bore us with the rapidity of ten miles an hour through the straits of Dover, and 31st along the coasts of Kent, and Hampshire; April 1, the Isle of Wight, Dorset, Devon and Cornwall, into the Bay of Biscay.

April 2, 3, and 4, we continued our course with unusual rapidity, over the big rolling waves of the Bay. I had little other amusement than that of ascertaining our daily change of latitude by my quadrant, or watching some or other of the vessels that occasionally bounded over the billows, like ourselves, near us. For our provisions being rather substantial than delicate, the qualms of sea-sickness drove all pleasurable thoughts away: till the morning of the 5th, when the Captain assured me he had plainly seen the rock of Lisbon at sun-rise. About 10, I had the delightful satisfaction of perceiving with my naked eye, the high land of the kingdom of Algarve, in the south of Portugal, and began to hope my anxious and eager longing to indulge in the delicious fruits of those countries would soon be gratified.

The mountains in view, have the name of Manchique. We glided along the coast that terminates their base the whole morning and afternoon, highly delighted with so swift a transportation to a new climate, and before sun-set wore round the blunt bold rock that forms the south-west angle of the Spanish peninsula, well known to be Cape St. Vincent. A monastery crowns the summit of this Cape. We were sufficiently near it to distinguish plainly, with an ordinary telescope, minute objects in the monastery. I believe it to be dedi-

cated to St. Vincent; whence the appellation of the Cape. It was called by the ancients *Sacrum Promontorium*. The monastery standing on this bold promontory, overhanging the vast Atlantic ocean, must command one of the most magnificent sea-views in the world. We rounded the Cape in the night, April 6, and at sunrise next morning, found ourselves off the little Portuguese town of Carvociro. We were, indeed, rather too far from the land to distinguish objects clearly, without a glass; but with one, the border of the mountains lying behind the town, the groves of olive trees, and cattle, formed a very pleasing and picturesque appearance. The town of Faro, near Carvociro, lies very near the *Portus Hannibal* of the ancients:—a geographical title that awakened me to the agreeable recollection of the short space of time which had borne me into the neighbourhood of the most interesting countries honoured in Classic Annals.

We were becalmed off this coast till the evening, wishing to hold some intercourse with the inhabitants, whom we had a distant view of on shore and in their fishing-boats. But no signal our captain would allow us to make, proved effectual. April 7, we wore off with a light breeze, and next day by two o'clock in the afternoon, approached near enough to the coast of the Province of Andalucia, in Spain, to distinguish with our glasses, the cities and towns that lie in the vicinity of Cadiz.

On the 8th, in the morning, the wind began to blow strong and adverse. To our great mortification, we entirely lost sight of land, and were all day tossed about in one of those gales of wind, called among seamen a Levanter. I passed the whole day in considerable alarm; and though in general not aware of any unusual dread of death, I confess the horrors of a watery grave came powerfully upon my mind. The first excursion of a restless traveller, so admirably described by De Foe, in his Crusoe's fate, and an hundred sad tales of shipwreck, took full possession of my imagination.

On the 9th, after a little intermission, the Levanter resumed its violence, and continued through the whole of the 10th: it pleased God, that it entirely abated on the morning of the 11th. The cheerful sun broke out about noon, discovering, to my infinite joy, the two Capes which bound the eastern extremity of the straits of Gibraltar; Cape Trafalgar, anciently called *Promontorium Junonis*, and Cape

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Spartel, anciently Ampelusiae Promontorium. As we advanced, we gradually obtained sight of all the high land of Africa, that runs behind Tangier, Ceuta, &c. and which terminates the north-western extremity of Mount Atlas. We entered the Straights at sun-set, and on the morning of the 12th, we found ourselves passing from the eastern end of this magnificent natural portal into the Mediterranean, just at sun-rise :

" Right against the eastern gate,
Where the great sun begins his state,
Rob'd in flames and amber light "

and who seemed to lift his full orb in a cloudless sky above the farthest extremity of the Mediterranean, to gild the glorious prospect before us. On our left the Bay of Algeziras, the town of St. Roque, Gibraltar rock, the orange groves of Andalusia and all the high ground of Spain : on our right, the thin flat marble rocks of the Straights peering over each other ; the broad green pastures and milk white town of Ceuta, the Bay of Tetuan and Mount Atlas, snow-capped, extending its summits full many a league into the interior of Africa, and right before us a cerulean summer-sea.

On the 13th, the wind became adverse at noon, and we lingered off the high land of Grenada, which hides the little city of Almeria from the sight of seamen. I had every reason to believe, that the most beautiful and most fertile part of Spain lay behind also ; but alas ! though we were all convinced of its abundance in fruits and wine, the Captain dared not venture into the good harbour here before him ; and I retired to rest this and the two following nights, as I had several preceding, dreaming of green fields, flowery meadows, and groves loaded with delicious fruit, tantalized almost beyond endurance. Indeed, I would willingly have stopped here, at least for some months, being invalid ; but I fear we too often, as I did, I believe, now, forego present, for distant and imaginary gratifications.

April 14 and 15, wind adverse ; fatiguing and tormenting ; my only consolation was that I began to advance to interesting countries : that I saw on my left the snow-topt mountains of Grenada and Murcia lifting their white summits near the clouds : that I tasted the air of Fenelon's *Betica*, as visited by Telema-chus ; and that on my right, I had a glimpse of the coast of ancient Numidia : recalling to my mind the feats of the Moors on one side, and the pathetic appeal of

Adherbal against the wiley villainies of Jugurtha on the other.

On the 16th, a favourable breeze sprung up from the west, which bore us along-side a small vessel, from which we procured half a dozen oranges, a few lemons, and some Malaga wine. The fruit, scarcely gathered a week at Malaga, was some consolation, though it almost served to aggravate our thirst for more. To-day we saw many bonetas and small turtle asleep ; one of the former was taken, and after being kept twenty-four hours, ate very firm and well, when stewed in some tart red malaga ; it was generally approved, but not by every one. The boneta is from ten inches to two feet in length ; they swim swift, and in shoals, and may be harpooned by the ship's side.

On the 18th, being Easter Sunday, the passengers and crew assembled on the poop of the ship, and heard divine service read : this was the first time I had been called upon since we had been on board. Saw several turtle, but could not take one.

On the 19th, several heavy squalls ; it pleased God that our vessel wore through them with only the loss of a shattered sail, and a joint of the rigging. The weather continued blowing with a heavy sea, to the 21st ; it was succeeded by dead calms and fine sun-shine, till the 23d, when a breeze sprang up, which, to my real joy and satisfaction, brought us on the 25th, being Sunday, in sight of the Island of Sardinia ; as our captain had been a dreadful reckoner and knew not his longitude by 120 miles. For an account of the ancient state of this Island, see Pausanias.

D'Anville lays down in his maps, the cities of Calaris (now Cagliari) Olbia, Sulci, Jura, &c. as mentioned by Pausanias. We lay toward the calm of the evening, off the ancient *Herculis Portus*, and the promontory which hides the latter town, or that which succeeded it. With a glass I could only discern one low white tower, whether ancient or modern I could not ascertain. We lost sight of it and bore toward Sicily next morning, and the whole of the following day and night, careful to avoid certain very dangerous rocks, called the Squills, that lay, we supposed, about thirty miles to the south of us ; by the kindness of Providence, we experienced no evil from them ; and on Tuesday morning, the 26th, came in sight of the promontory of ancient *Lilybæum*, and the islands visible near the western extremity of Sicily. We sailed along the fair coast of Sicily all Tuesday and Wednesday near enough to distinguish its towns and groves with

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with the naked eye, and with an ordinary telescope to trace out many interesting objects.

We saw, or fancied we saw, ancient Girgenti, and one or two temples behind it. We clearly discovered Mount Etna, and the smoke issuing from his snowy summit. We could even perceive, though 120 miles distant, the black lines of lava near the edge of the Crater which the partial melting of his snows exposed. We lay close to a neat little town in the evening, which we supposed to be Alicata, and on the afternoon of the 28th, we had a distant glimpse on our right, of the four clumps of land which our sea-men knew to be Malta, and its dependencies, Gozo and Commino.

Next morning, 29th, we were near enough the principal city of Malta, called Valetta, to distinguish houses, churches, and shipping; the multitude of stone-walls, that give the island so much the appearance of one continuity of amphitheatrical rocky strata rising above each other, interspersed with dark green clumps of locust trees and streaks of green corn-fields. About noon two boats rowed by Maltese, put off from the port of La Valetta, and soon afforded us the delightful satisfaction of setting foot on the stone-quay. We were accompanied by our amiable Moorish friend, who jabbered Arabic with the crews of the boats all the way with great glee. As soon as we were landed, we were placed within a small railed area, till the health-officer should allow us to proceed into the town; and during our half-hour's quarantine, had time to look round on the variety of individuals in somewhat a similar predicament with ourselves. We found the quay divided into such little compartments as that we occupied; and at that moment, each a little parade of Moors, Greeks and Levanters, of different descriptions, in the dress of their respective countries. The beautiful dress and venerable aspect of a Greek, nearly drew me into a very awkward difficulty. He was smoking a long ornamented pipe, in a neighbouring compartment, and like myself unwittingly drew near to chat, if haply we could make each other understood:—had I touched him or his habiliments, a forty days quarantine must have been my lot! Our good friend, the young Moor, with extreme earnestness ran up and warned me of my danger.

So soon as we were relieved by the health-officer, and our fellow-passengers had made some provision from the market of La Valetta, of live stock, fruit and vege-

tables for their voyage to the Levant; we all went to dine together at the principal inn. We paid nine shillings each, for a good dinner of meat, soup, fish, fowl, and pastry, and indifferent red wine. After dinner I parted from my friend, the young Moor, with sincere regret; and he pursued his course with the rest of the passengers, on board the ship I had quitted, to Constantinople.

As the fortune of this gentleman was somewhat singular, I cannot avoid mentioning it:—he was a native of Tetuan, on that part of the coast of the kingdom of Morocco, which lies in the bay of the same name, nearly opposite the rock of Gibraltar. When at the age of nineteen, some unpleasant fracas had induced his friends, or the government, to recommend or command him to leave his country for a few years. He complied; and in order to spend his time in the most profitable way, determined to pass the years of his exile in travelling. He began with making the pilgrimage to Mecca, in company with twelve other Moorish gentlemen. He went coastways, by sea to Egypt, whence he joined the Caravan by land in Arabia, and proceeded to the holy city. This pilgrimage obtained to the pilgrim the honourable title of *Albadj*;

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which, though it means, literally translated, no more than Pilgrim to Mecca, is a distinction more valued in Barbary than knighthood formerly was in England: and the account he gave me of the perils of the journey, confirming the generally received apprehensions of it, seem fully to entitle the traveller to such distinction here, whether the motives from which pilgrimages are frequently performed shall or shall not be deemed meritorious hereafter. Much was suffered in the voyage from want of water, and the difficulty of procuring supplies from nations hostile to his state, on the Barbary coast, between Tunis and Alexandria; but the blast of the pestilential *Sbamaul*,

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was the most formidable danger to be encountered. This dreadful phenomenon seems to have been peculiarly fatal to the party whom my friend travelled with; for when it assailed the caravan in the desert, consisting of 70,000 pilgrims, a proportion of one seventh of the whole, ten thousand, fell a sacrifice to its baneful influence; whereas out of his party of thirteen, nine died. His account of Mecca differed

differed very little from that which may be gathered from the few intelligent European travellers who have contrived to visit that holy city; For no Christian can be permitted to approach it. The disguise of a Mahomedan is indispensable. Indeed the expence must be a bar to most persons of habits commonly capable of enduring such fatigue; that of my friend exceeded six hundred pounds. Though a Moor born and bred in latitude $34^{\circ}35'$ he complained loudly of the intolerable heats of Mecca.

From Mecca he returned by Alexandria to the Mediterranean, which he crossed thence to Constantinople; where, as a descendant of Mahomed, he was entitled to the privilege of wearing a green turban. He appeared quite clear in his genealogy from Mahomed, on my requesting him to trace it. From Constantinople he went, by sea, to London; after visiting Genoa, Lisbon, and some other ports in the Mediterranean, partly from curiosity, partly from commercial views. He was brave, generous, and frank in his disposition; extremely affectionate and obliging. During his exile, he had received intelligence of the death of all his sisters, six in number, with all their families and relations, to the number of fifty, who died of the plague in Tetuan.

I never saw a man more likely to feel sensibly so dreadful a loss. But his pious resignation to the will of **All**I

Providence, subdued all complaint. I have observed in him, on other occasions, the same tranquil resignation to the divine will. During the heavy gales of wind we encountered in our voyage, while most of us Christians were quaking with alarm, he would stretch himself out on his mattras, and quietly hope for better weather. He was not incapable of expressing his resentment when offended; and while almost unaware of their effect, fond of indulging in the use of wine and spirits; but as far as the experience of a few weeks enabled me to estimate his value, he was as amiable a friend as a Christian could hope to find. He spoke English and Spanish and Italian fluently; but he did not write in any other character than that of his own country, which is almost to a point the Arabic.

In the babel of languages spoken among our crews, he was chief interpreter; and, generally speaking, chief talker. He informed me that the Emperor of Morocco has 100,000 good, well mounted cavalry: a considerable proportion of

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which appeared to me, from his account, to serve their sovereign somewhat after the manner of the Polish Postpolite. He gave me also much other interesting information respecting the kingdom of Dukala; if I recollect aright, a great dependency on Morocco; of the connections of Morocco with Tunis, and all the other neighbouring states, and of the internal commerce of Africa; but as I had not an immediate opportunity of noting down his observations, I should be unwilling to attempt repeating them now at random. After this account of him, it is no wonder that I should regret his departure.

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NOTICE and EXTRACTS from the LATIN
DISSERTATION of M. N. IGNARRA (DE
URBIS NEAPOLIS REGIONE HERCU-
LANENSIO) relative to the EPOCH of
the TOTAL DESTRUCTION of the CI-
TIES of HERCULANEUM and POMPEII,
as lately PUBLISHED in the MAGAZINE
ENCYCLOPEDIQUE.

A GENERAL opinion prevails, the author tells us, that Herculaneum and Pompeii were totally destroyed and even swallowed up at the time of the famous eruption of Mount Vesuvius, which took place under the reign of Titus. This opinion, however, is far from being founded on the exact truth. The eruption, to which we here allude, was not the first that had ravaged those places. The disasters which it occasioned in the two cities were not so completely destructive, but that in dating from that epoch, both the cities were again raised, and still less that they had entirely disappeared from the face of the earth. Every thing announces that from the most remote times, Mount Vesuvius has ejected flames. In fact, there does not remain any memorials relative to the most ancient eruptions of that volcano. However, if we examine well what Tertullian says, in a passage of his *Apologeticon* (chap. xl.) we shall find that this author must have had knowledge of a certain eruption which had occasioned great disasters, long before the year 79 of the christian æra: "Oro vos, ante Tiberium, id est, ante Christi adventum, quanta clades orbem & urbem ceciderunt? Nondum Judæum ab Ægypto examen Palestina suscepereat, nec jam illuc Christianæ sectæ origo confederat, quum regiones ac fines ejus Sodoma et Gomorrha igneus imber exussit Sed nec Tuscia atque Campania de Christianis querebatur,

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*quum Volscinios de cælo, *Pompeios de suo monte, perfudit ignis.*

The burning of Volscinium, of which Tertullian speaks, dates from the year 93, before the Christian æra; this we learn from Julius Obsequens, who says (chap. cxii.) that it took place during the consulship of C. Valerius Flaccus and of M. Herennius Nepos. It was about the same time, if not at an anterior epoch, that we must refer the fact relative to Pompeii, of which Tertullian here, likewise, makes mention. His object being to prove that long before the existence of Christianity, the world had experienced catastrophes similar to those which, in his age, some were disposed to consider as owing to the institution of the Christian religion; he must therefore, necessarily only refer to events anterior to the birth of Jesus Christ. If those which he cites, are only to be dated from the reign of Nero, or still later, from the reign of Titus; the disasters that took place at one or other of those two epochs, might have been attributed, it matters not on what foundation, to the Christians. We know, for a certainty, that in the year 53, or the 11th of the reign of Nero, in the middle of winter, on the 5th of February, a very violent *terræ motus*, or earthquake was felt throughout all Campania, which almost wholly destroyed the city of Pompeii: a portion of the city of Herculaneum was overthrown, and the rest was shaken. At Naples, no public edifice fell, but many houses were damaged: this is attested by Seneca, a contemporary author, and perhaps, an eye-witness. The city of Pompeii did not remain always in that state of desolation. Vespasian favoured it with marks of his protection. An inscription found amongst the ruins of that city, informs us that the Emperor, in the 7th year of his tribunitian power, and in his 7th consulship, that is to say, in the course of the year 76, caused to be rebuilt at Pompeii the temple of the Mother of the Gods, which had been overthrown by an earthquake. Three years later, in the year 79, the first of the reign of Titus, the famous eruption took place, the details of which have been transmitted to us by Pliny the younger. That author does not appear to have exaggerated in his recital. This is not the case with Statius,

who was, in like manner, a witness of that terrible event, and who was certainly alive at the time when Herculaneum and Pompeii suffered in that dreadful disaster. Doubtless, according to the manner in which the poet expresses himself, in a piece to Victorius Marcellus (*Sylvar. lib. iv. ver. 78.*) one would be led to think, that no vestige remained of those two cities.
Hæc ego Chalcidicis ad te, Marcele, sonbam

*Littoribus, fractas ubi Vesuvius erigit iras,
 Æmula Trinacriis volvens incendia flammis.
 Mira fides! Credet ne virum ventura propago,
 Cum segetes iterum, cum jam hæc deserta
 virebunt,
 Infra urbes populosque premi, proavitaque tota
 Rura abiisse mari? Nec dum letale minari
 Cessat apex.*

According to the Account of Pliny, it was on the 1st of November, at one o'clock at noon, that the explosion took effect in its full extent. It was at the hour when the people were wont to repair to the theatre, and we are told by the same Latin writer, that the people were actually assembled there. Camillo Peregrini, and after him Lasaena were of opinion, that the cities of Herculaneum and Pompeii never had a theatre, and that the passage of Dion Cassius, wherein mention is made of an assemblage of the people in that place, should be understood of Naples. The discovery, however, of a theatre at Pompeii, as, likewise, at Herculaneum, prove that they were mistaken. The inhabitants, assisted by the munificence of Titus, and under the direction of officers appointed for that purpose, by means of the sums that devolved on that occasion to the fisc, or public treasury, for want of heirs, were enabled to repair in a great measure, the misfortunes they had experienced. They rose again, and even with lustre, from the fragments and ashes with which they had been encumbered. Statius himself, gives us to understand this, and seems to intimate, in some measure, that we ought not to interpret, literally, what he had before written to Victorius Marcellus. In another piece addressed to his spouse, and wherein he earnestly invites her to meet him at Naples, he declares, in express terms, that notwithstanding the ravages occasioned by the recent eruption of Vesuvius, the aspect of that spot had nothing dejected in it, and that the towns there were in a flourishing condition.

*Non adeo Vesuvinus apex et flammea diri
 Montis hyems trepidas exhaustis civibus urbes;
 Stant populisque vigent.*

How long did the two cities enjoy the fruits of this restoration? This is a question

* It should be observed here that M. Ignarra affirms no reasons for the motives that have induced him to prefer this reading *Pompeios*, to the common reading, *Tarpeios*. It cannot be denied that the latter appears to be the most plausible.

tion not very easy to determine. The beautiful equestrian statue, now to be seen at Portici, in the quarter of *La Garde Royale*, seems to attest, that under the reign of Adrian, Herculaneum was still a flourishing city; and that even then it was decorated with new monuments of art. The characters of the inscription, legible on the base of that statue, accord perfectly with the age of Adrian:—M. NONNIO: M. F. BALBO. P. R. PROCOS HERCULANENSES.

In that portion of the satirical romance attributed to Petronius Arbiter, which has been solely preserved in the manuscript of Trau, mention is made of gardens situated, if not at Pompeii itself, at least adjoining that city, and which had been for about a year the acquisition of Trimachion. On a supposition that this piece be considered as authentic, we must take it for granted, that it could not have been composed before the reign of the last Antonines. According to this synchronism, the passage in question would seem to indicate that in the course of the third century, Pompeii still figured amongst the cities of Campania. In the Table or Chart that bears the name of Peutinger, Herculaneum and Pompeii are noticed as cities then in existence. Herculaneum is there placed at the distance of eleven miles from Naples. This is an error—we should read six miles. A literary monument, the credit of which on this point is not to be suspected, authorizes this correction. But in the Itinerary of Antoninus, Herculaneum and Pompeii are no longer to be found. Thus according to strong appearances, it must have been in the interval that elapsed between the epoch at which the Table of Peutinger was constructed, and the time when the Itinerary of Antoninus was compiled, that the two cities must have totally disappeared from the surface of the earth.

The Table of Peutinger is evidently of a date posterior to the reign of Constantine the Great. Thus Herculaneum, Pompeii and their territory, *universitas agrorum intra fines cuiusque civitatis* were yet subsisting at the epoch when that prince transferred the seat of empire to Byzantium, that is to say, in the year 330. Theodoric reigned, it is well known, from the year 493 till 526. It is likewise ascertained that in the life-time of that prince, there was an eruption of Vesuvius which occasioned dreadful ravages in Campania; this appears from a letter of Cassiodorus. Wishing to remedy the misfortunes that had happened on that occasion, the king

ordered the prefect of the pretorship, Faustus, to send into the territories of Naples and Nola, a person of acknowledged probity, to examine and ascertain the damages that every citizen might have sustained, and to discharge the persons that were liable, from the burthen of the imposts, in proportion to what they might have suffered. When it is observed, that on this occasion, the prince makes no mention either of Herculaneum or of Pompeii, nor of the territory of those two cities, and that, nevertheless, they ought naturally to have suffered the most; we are inclined, we are even authorised to believe that they had already disappeared anterior to that event. There are therefore, the strongest appearances from which to infer, 1. That they had, before that period, ceased to be inhabited. 2. That those of the citizens who had escaped the disaster, after having taken refuge, some at Naples, others at Nola, had established themselves in those two cities; and 3. That by consequence, the district of Pompeii had been united to that of Nola, and the district of Herculaneum to that of Naples. But at what precise epoch did this event take place? It is no vain conjecture to place it about the year 471. In that year, Count Marcellinus makes mention of a dreadful eruption which covered the whole face of Europe with ashes: these are his terms: “*Vesuvius mons Campaniae, torridus intestinis ignibus exæstuans exusta vomuit viscera, nocturnisq; in die tenebris omnem Europæ faciem minuto contexit pulvere.*” He adds, that at Constantinople, commemoration was annually made of that event on the 8th of the ides of November. “*Hujus metuendi memoriam cineris Byzantii annuè celebrant viii. idus Novembris.*” This eruption of the volcano which took place in 471, must have been the most fatal of all. It totally changed the conformation of Vesuvius. Antiently that mount rose in the manner of a peak, having but a single summit, which could be only ascended on one side, and that with great difficulty. Its cimex or top, presented a sort of plat-form, almost everywhere level, as Strabo informs us (page 257). And lastly, we learn from Dion Cassius, that the flames issued from the middle of the cimex, and that the flanks or the outside of the mountain represented, in some measure, a vast amphitheatre. At present, there only remains a small portion of this cone that looks towards the north, and is separated from the actual crater. It was therefore, according to all appearance, at the above epoch that the change

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change took place. It must have been at the same time that the lava completely covered the cities of Herculaneum and Pompeii, and that the wretched inhabitants, compelled to retire elsewhere, were incorporated, some in the city of Naples, and others in the city of Nola. In the *Thèmes de Constantine Porphyrogeneta*, mention is made of Naples, the metropolis, and of Mount Vesuvius and its gulph of fire; but no mention is made of Herculaneum or of Pompeii; another argument to prove that those cities had entirely disappeared at the time when Constantine Porphyrogeneta wrote; that is to say, about the year 940. The learned, continues M. Ignarra, are not agreed as to the precise epoch to which we ought to refer the compilation of the Table or Chart of Peutinger, and of the Itinerary of Antoninus. But on one hand, we have just seen that Herculaneum and Pompeii must have been subsisting posterior to the composition of the Table of Peutinger, inasmuch as that table represents, or contains both the cities. On the other hand we see, that towards the year 500, that is to say, when Theodoric wrote to Faustus, the prefect of the pretorship, the two cities were no more, as the prince makes no mention of their district or territory. At the same time we have shewn that according to all probability, it must have been in the year 471 that they totally disappeared. Hence we may conclude. 1. That the Table or Chart, bearing the name of Peutinger, which is evidently of a date posterior to the reign of Constantine, is no less certainly of a date anterior to the year 471. And 2. That the Itinerary of Antoninus must have been compiled posterior to the same epoch of 471. If we now find in the Table of Peutinger, names which can only be referred to more modern times, we must recollect that geographical charts ought to be considered as a kind of glossaries or lexicons of places. These glossaries or lexicons are not composed by a solitary effort, if we may so speak; it is only by a succession of labours that they become complete. Each compiler adds to it names that the former one had omitted. Hence, although the first compiler of the Table or Chart of Peutinger might have finished it before the year 471, there are found in it more modern names which must have been added in the sequel. The citizens of Herculaneum, that took refuge at Naples, appear to have been received there and admitted to the rights of citizenship with marks of honour and bene-

volence. It is not uncommon that new comers are gladly received and even treated with more consideration than the ancient inhabitants. Hence we may conceive how the quarter wherein the refugees from Herculaneum established themselves, has been characterized in the lapidary monuments, and even in public acts, as *regia primaria, regio splendidissima*. At the commencement of this last century, adds M. Ignarra, the curious were yet disputing about the place where formerly Herculaneum was situated. Some supposed that the place of that ancient city should be sought, where now is the palace of Portici. Others were willing to find it at the place called *Turris Octavii*, vulgarly, *Torre del Greco*. The discovery of the theatre situated about a furlong to the west of the royal *Corps de Garde*, proves that Herculaneum occupied a site nearer to Portici than to Torre del Greco. M. Ignarra endeavours, likewise, to demonstrate that the porticos of Hercules, of which mention is made in the satirical romance attributed to Petronius Arbiter, ought to be sought nowhere else than on the actual site of Portici. He then conjectures, that at the time of the catastrophe of Herculaneum, under the reign of Titus, if the city itself, by an effect of the munificence of that prince, was quickly restored, at least, in part; the theatre, which, as cannot be doubted, agreeably to the testimony of Dion Cassius, had principally suffered, was not so soon repaired. Perhaps, indeed, it was not so at all: perhaps, there only remained of it the exterior faces, either of the stage or of the amphitheatre. These faces, according to the rules of architecture, were ornamented with porticos, at different stages or stories. The theatre remaining unoccupied, the porticos only were frequented and known. In a little time the theatre was no longer remembered, and the porticos only were talked of. Hence the interlocutors in the satirical romance, have taken notice of the porticos of Hercules, without making mention of the theatre. In the sequel, these porticos themselves disappeared, as well as all the rest of the city. But the spot on which they were situated, where they had been so long visible, and to which they had given their name, retained the denomination; and agreeably to the remembrance of it, the place still bears the name of Portici. M. Ignarra goes farther. He suspects that even in the 15th century, a part of those porticos might have been still subsisting. He conjectures this from a passage of San-nazarius.

nzarius. This poet, in one of his eclogues, introduces the fisherman Thelgon, seated on the declivity of the hill, called Mergellina, opposite the crater of the mountain, and expressing himself thus :

Rupe sub hac mecum sedit Galatea; videbam,
Et Capreas & quæ Sirenum nomina servant
Rura procul; veteres alia de parte ruinas
Herculis ambusta signabat ab arce Vesuvius.

By these words, *veteres ruinas Herculis*, the poet could only mean the ruins of the porticos of Herculaneum, already overthrown in his time, but yet visible.

For the Monthly Magazine.
COLIANA;

*Consisting of SELECTIONS of the curious
mss. bequeathed by the late MR. COLE
to the BRITISH MUSEUM, and lately
opened.*

MAYOR OF ANGIERS.

THE following piece of pleasantry upon a Mayor of Angiers, who died in his mayoralty, and had the arms of the city, and himself, pourtrayed in a military habit, on his tomb, may with equal propriety be applied to thousands of other people, who have been thus accoutréed by their grateful executors :

"Ici git Pierre de Pincé
Qui en son Tems a bien pincé;
Il étoit de bonne Nature,
Et ne fut armé qu'en Péinture."

ORIGINAL LETTERS from Robert Earl of Leicester, copied from a Manuscript in the Library of Benet College, Cambridge.

"To the Right Honorable and my singular good Lord, my L. of Canterbury's Grace geve these.

MY LORD,

"The Q. Matie being abroad hunting yesterday in the forest, and having hadd veary good happ, beside great sport, she hath thought good to remember yo'r Grace with part of her pray, and so comaunded me to send you from her Highnes a great and a fat stagge, killed with her owen bowe hand, which because the wether was woght, and the dere somewhat chafed and daungerous to be caryed so farre without some helpe, I caused him to be parboyled in this sort for the better preservation of him, which I doubt not but shall cause him to com unto you as I would be glad he shuld. So having no other matter at this present to trouble your Grace withall, I wyll comyit you to th' Almighty, and with my most harty commendacyons take my leave in hast.

*At Windsor, this iiiith of September,
Yor G. assured,
R. DUDDELEY."*

The Seal was gone, but the stamp of it on the paper shewed the impression very perfectly; it was large and round, having the bear and ragged staff incircled with the garter.

GRAY.

Two Latin Epitaphs in the church of Burnham, in Buckinghamshire, from the pen of Mr. Gray.

On a monument of white marble against the north-wall of the church :

Huic loco prope adiunt Cineres

ROBERTI ANTROBUS.

Vir fuit, si quis unquam fuit, Amicorum
amans,

Et Amicis amandus.

Ita Ingenio & Doctrina valuit,

Ut suis Honori fuerit & aliis Commodo.

Si Mores respicis, probus et humanus;

Si Animum, semper sibi constans;

Si Fortunam, plura meruit quam tulit.

In Memoriam defuncti posuit

Hoc Marmor

Frater { amantissimus } J. Rogers. AD. 1731.
mætissimus }

On a monument against the south-wall.

M.S.

Jonathan Rogers,

Qui Juris inter negotia diu versatus

Opibus modicis laudabili Industria partis,

Extremos Vitæ annos

Sibi, Amicis, Deo dicavit.

Humanitati ejus nihil otium detraxit,

Nihil Integritati Negotia.

Quænam bonæ Spei iustior Causa,

Quam perpetua Morum Innocentia,

Animus erga Deum reverenter affectus,

Erga omnes Homines benevoli?

Vixit Ann. LXV. Ob. Stoke in Com. Bucks.

A.D. MDCCXLII. Octob. xxxi.

Anna Conjuræ mætissima,

Per Annos xxxiii.

Nulla unquam intercedente

Querimonia,

Omnium Curarum particeps,

Hoc Marmor,

(Sub quo et suos Cineres juxta condi destinet)

Pietatis officium, heu! ultimum.

P.C.

PARISH REGISTERS.

In order to remedy the disorders occasioned by the frequency of divorces in Spain, the great Cardinal Ximenes, archbishop of Toledo, in a Synod held by him for that diocese, put a stop to them by the first institution of Parish Registers; this was in 1497. The whole passage concerning this is worth reading, as recorded by Marsolier, in his *Histoire du Ministère du Cardinal Ximenez*. p. 147. Tholouse, 8vo. 1694; which would be a more useful, though hardly a more entertaining book, were the dates of the several most interesting transactions better observed.

Vie de Petrarch, in 4to. 1764, mentions parish

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Parish Registers, from 1508 till 1573, at and near Avignon; and Velutello affirms that he consulted them in the beginning of the sixteenth century; but they were perhaps, only private memorandums of the incumbents. Mr. Bastie denies that any were kept, even in great cities, in the fourteenth century. (*Præf.* p. xxxiv. *Notes*, p. 13, 31, 32.) Time, the wars of the Hugonots, and the ravages of the Ligue, have destroyed the papers of the neighbourhood in question. What were those which were actually in being in 1520?

The first institution of them in England commenced in 1501, 16th of Henry VII, although the keeping of them was not strictly enjoined till the injunction of Lord Cromwell, 30th of Henry VIII; but he being looked upon as an enemy to Popery, and a favourer of innovations in religion, the good intent of them was much misrepresented, and his order rarely complied with by the clergy. A second order of this kind was issued in the second year of Edward VI, 1547, though, perhaps, little complied with (*Sparrow's Collection of Articles, &c.* p. 4, 5, 27.) A third order is to be met with in the Statutes of the National Synod, by Cardinal Pole, about 1555 (*Life of Pole I.* 137, 123.) and the laic and most successful injunctions in the 1st, 7th and 39th years of Elizabeth.

Did Cromwell pick up the hint from Cardinal Ximenes, in his Travels about the year 1500? The Cardinal died at the age of 81, in 1517.

"POT POURRI; OR, PERFUMED JAR OR POT."

"Get some coarse brown bay salt: this is the *fine quâ non*, and (by the way) is not to be had at Cambridge, where, under the name of bay salt, they sell a whitish kind of salt, that will never do for our purpose, and will spoil all. At London the true sort is common in every shop, and a penny worth of it is enough to make a bushel of perfumes. Take a peck of damask roses, picked from the cups, orange flowers all you can get, cloves (the spice) a quarter of an ounce, cut small; scatter them in your jar, mixt in layers about two inches thick, and thinly sprinkle the salt over them: repeat this, till the vessel is three quarters, or more, full: cover it close down, let it stand two days, and then stir it up well with a wooden ladle or skimmer: repeat this often, and it is made. If it is always moist to the touch, it is right: if over-wet, you have only to put in more flowers, and no more salt. You may use, if you please, tops of lavender, myrtle-leaves bruised, rose-geranium, angelica,

shavings of orrice-root, or (where orange-flowers are scarce) young green oranges sliced, or even the yellow rind of seville oranges: but of these things a very little will do, least they overpower the rest. I cannot be particular as to quantities, because I observed none myself. Adieu, dear Sir, I am faithfully your's,

Cambridge, July 7, 1764. T.G."

This I had by letter, from my friend, Mr. Gray of Pembroke hall, in Cambridge, to whom I sent for the receipt, having seen and smelt the odoriferous jar in his chambers the year before.

SHRINE OF ST. SIMPLICIUS AND ST. FAUSTINA.

I saw this very tomb or shrine at Strawberry-hill, July 7, 1769. The church of Santa Maria Maggiore, being new ornamented, the part of the shrine which contained the pillars studded with gold, marble, &c. were sent in large cases by Sir Horace Mann to Mr. Walpole, who designs them for a chapel in his delightful Gothic castle, at Strawberry-hill.

BISHOPS BURIED IN LONDON.

Whaddon hall, June 21, 1720.

"SIR,

"Being informed that you have printed what I lately sent you, of bishops buried in churches in London (which if I had conceived you had wanted so soon, or had intentions of publishing, I would have been more exact about) I crave leave to add some few that, I believe, I had then overlooked in my haste, which, if you think proper you may insert.

"There are, doubtless, several bishops that had been of the orders of friars, &c. buried in monasteries in London, it being more customary for them to lie in their respective convents, to which they belonged, than in their cathedrals: and so, though I cannot discover them, because they made no wills, I make no doubt but that Roger Cradock, John Zouche, John Welles, Nicholas Aslby, and John Hundin, all bishops of Landaff, are interred in religious houses of their orders, and possibly in some of those in London. It is plain that bishop Alan or Alban, of Bangor, who died 1196, lies interred in St. John's of Jerusalem Priory, near Smithfield, because there was an obit kept for him; and bishop Thomas Ringsterde of Bangor, was buried anno 1365, in the Blackfriars of London, and not at Huntingdon, as Godwin mistakes. I presume, also, that the famous Jeffery of Monmouth, bishop of St. Asaph, might lie in some abbey in London, he dying in the city, after he was deprived of his bishop-

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rick, anno 1175; as did John Delabere, bishop of St. David, who died about 1462, as I judge, two years after his quitting St. David's, in the Blackfriars, in London, where, by the best information I can get, he spent the remainder of his days, and lies buried. I am thus particular about the ancient province of St. David's, because I have been writing of all the Welsh sees.

"In Canterbury province I can add little to what I sent you, unless that I find bishop Ralph Bayne buried 1559, according to Wharton, in Islington Church; or, as other authors tell us, in St. Dunstan's in the West. In the Temple church is an ancient effigies of a bishop, which I should judge to be of Marmaduke Lumley, bishop of Lincoln, who died in London in 1451, at his palace, no doubt, belonging to his see, called the Old Temple.

In Westminster Abbey lies Richard Courtney, bishop of Norwich, who died in 1415. So that you have instances of bishops of every see buried in London, except of the new erected bishoprick of Bristol.

"In York province I can only add the burial of Robert Holgate, first bishop of Landaff, and afterwards archbishop of York, who died in the Tower, anno 1556; and, by the direction of his will, which I have seen, appoints his body to be buried in that parish wherein he dies. I am apt to think, that he was doubtless buried in the Tower chapel; as were, about this time, most of the state prisoners, and almost all those beheaded in Henry VIII.'s reign, particularly his two queens. If what I have wrote is of any satisfaction, you may make what use you please of it. From

"Your most humble servant,

"BROWN WILLIS."

"To the Rev. Mr. Cole."

MEMORANDA from RYMER'S Fœdera,
Ec. Milton, November 1771.—

Anno 400. Bells invented by Paulinus, bishop of Nola, in Campania, and thence named Campanæ.

Anno 550. Bells first known in France.

Anno 555. Raw silk first propagated, and wrought silk first made in Greece.

Anno 555. Water mills invented, or rather their re-invention. Pancirolus.

Anno 581. The Latin tongue ceases in Italy, and the Italian takes place.

Anno 590. Dress of the Lombards.—They wore loose garments, like the Anglo-Saxons, mostly of linen, having large seams, and interwoven with various colours: their shoes were open almost to the toes, and buttoned and laced together. They afterwards began to wear hose, over

which, when they rode, they drew a sort of breeches: but this fashion they took from the Romans.

Anno 674. "Abbot Benedict (says venerable Bede) also brought over artificers, skilled in making of glass, which, till then, had been unknown in Britain, wherewith he glazed the windows of the church of Weremouth, and taught the English the art of glass making.

Anno 709. Wilfrid, a Northumbrian bishop, first uses silver plate. Tyrrell.

Anno 728. The laws of Ina, King of Wessex, mention ale and ale-houses.

Anno 758. Organs first brought from the Greek Empire into the West about this time.

Anno 1070. Musical Notes, as at present used, invented by Guido Aretinus.

Anno 1086. Domesday Book finished.

The revenue of William I. anno 1160, 700l. yearly.

Anno 1090. London not paved.—Howell.

Anno 1097. The holy war commences, from which heraldry took its rise.

Anno 1181. About this time glass windows are said to have been begun to be in use in England: they had been discovered long before, though very scarce in private houses, and ranked even till now as a kind of luxury, and as marks of magnificence.—Italy had them first, then France, from thence England.

Anno 1200. The use of the mariner's compass supposed to be found out about this time: some suppose it to have been of French invention, as it was first mentioned by Guyot of Provence, a French poet, who calls it Marineta; and also, because the north point is by all nations marked on their compasses by a *fleur de lis*. See below anno 1302.

Anno 1300. Looking glasses made only at Venice.

Anno 1302. Most authors fix on this year for the invention of the mariner's compass, by Flavio di Gioia, a Neapolitan.

Anno 1306. The daily expences of the bishop of St. Andrew's and his servants, being a prisoner in Winchester Castle, for siding with his own king, Robert Bruce:

For the bishop's own daily ex-	
pence	- - - - - o o 6
One man servant to attend him	o o 3
One boy to attend likewise	- o o 1½
A chaplain to say mass to him	
daily	- - - - - o o 1½

Total - o 1 o

Rymer's Fœdera, I. f. 116.

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Anno 1330. Gunpowder and guns invented by one Swartz, a German monk, of Cologne. The English in the famous battle of Cressy, 1346, had four or five pieces of cannon.—Mezeray.

Anno 1331. Edward III. grants letters of protection to John Kemp of Flanders, to come and exercise his trade of a woollen-cloth-weaver. Soon after, in the same year, 70 families of Walloons came over. This was the first foundation of our woolen manufacture.

Anno 1367. A grant of 20l. yearly settled on Geoffrey Chaucer, whom the king styles his servant, *valettus noster*, for the good services which he has done and is to do hereafter. Rymer, tom. vi. 567.

Anno 1367. An inventory of goods sent to the Pope. Ibid, tom. vii. 356.

Anno 1367. Clock makers brought first into England. Ibid. vi. 590.

Anno 1391. Playing cards invented for the diversion of Charles VI. of France.

Anno 1410. Henry IV. grants to the town of Cambridge, a number of small taxes or tolls on provisions, &c. brought into their town, either by land or water, to enable them to pave their streets and mend the high roads leading thither.

Anno 1410. Guicciardini ascribes to the Netherlanders the invention of painting in oil, and staining glass with colours, also the making of tapestry; who also named the points of the compass.

Anno 1418. Stone-bullets used for cannon, the iron not being yet invented. See an order of Henry V. for 7000 stones, Rymer, vol. IX. page 542.

Anno 1422. Under this year, in Sir Robert Cotton's Records, amongst the inventory of Henry V.'s jewels, arras, tapestry, apparel, and goods—" You shall (says Sir Robert) find plain gowns of that kind of less value than 40s. and such other costly apparel, as the worst pages of the least gentlemen of these days would scorn to wear."

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

THE last number of your miscellany contains a letter from Mr. Bleeker, of New York, which states, that a passage quoted in my History of George III. from a current publication, concerning General Washington, is not genuine.

The work from which the citation was made, is entitled " Eoitles Domestic, Confidential, and Official, from General Washington." When I wrote that part of the history, I had not heard that the

work in question was in any degree spurious, or that General Washington had disavowed certain parts of the contents; I therefore once incidentally cited it as an illustration of an opinion which I have always entertained of General Washington, and still entertain, that, though the strenuous and able champion of what he regarded as liberty and the rights of the American Colonies, he was no friend to democratic violence.

But though this has been and is my opinion of that great and wise man, from his own disavowal I find that the individual letter in question is not genuine. Far from wishing to impute to General Washington any sentiment which he has not expressed, I am desirous of correcting the error into which I have fallen respecting that fact, and also, as far as in me lies, compensating its consequences.

With that view and for that purpose, the parts of pages 344 and 345 of vol. 2, that contain the spurious passage, are cancelled; and those who have purchased copies of the work, may have the corrected pages by applying to the publishers, Messrs. Longman and Rees, Paternoster-row.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

ROBERT BISSET.

Sloane Terrace, June 18, 1804.

To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

T. A. G. wishes to have, through the medium of your Magazine, the opinion of one of your correspondents, concerning the affinity of the words *Alfred* and *Alured*; that is to say, whether they were not originally the same.

He conceives that, according to the old way of spelling, the letter *v* must have been substituted for the *u*, consequently the word must have become *ALVRED*, corrupted, perhaps, into *Alfred* by an affinity of sound. The favour is earnestly requested, as it will tend to clear up doubts now existing in the minds of many.

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To the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.

SIR,

I SHOULD esteem myself obliged, if, among your numerous correspondents, any one could inform me, through the medium of your excellent Miscellany, the origin of the word *Hackney*; and why the coaches that apply for hire in the streets are so denominated.

Yours, &c. J. T.

ORIGINAL POETRY.

THE FIRST DAY OF RAIN AFTER A DROUGHT.

A SALLOW garb veils nature o'er,
No friendly moisture giv'n,
And parching meads in vain implore
Refreshing drops of Heav'n.
The thirsty earth each streamlet drains,
And yaws and opes her famish'd veins.
Sad, o'er the barren lawn and heath,
The lowing cattle stray,
Suck the rank nettle, or bēneath
Dry'd leaves that strew their way :
For Summer's mantle tarnish'd, torn,
He shakes it from him as in scorn.

Fair Flora weeps her chaplets gay ;
The roses wont to greet,
The blooming goddesis on her way,
Untimely strew her feet :
Yet shorter is their short-liv'd doom,
Alas ! they wither 'ere they bloom.
Sad Zephyr skims the garden round,
And o'er his fav'rite grieves,
And faintly sighs, with plaintive sound,
'Mong scatter'd flow'rs and leaves.
Tir'd bees unwonted distance roam,
And bring but half their lading home.

While Nature burns throughout her frame,
And vapours taint the air,
Can man alone exemption claim
From ills all else must share ?
Ah ! no ; he feels her ev'ry pain,
Link'd in the univerfal chain.

But, soft, the welcome flow'rs arrive ;
How drinks the gladden'd foil !
How the flow'rs breathe, the plants revive,
How the gay pastures smile !
And man, reviving with the earth,
Inhales new health, new joy, new birth.

But, ah ! in vain for you, whose pow'rs,
In ting'ring pain decay ;
In vain kind Heav'n its pity flow'rs,
And frethen'd breezes play.
In vain the grateful earth replies,
And breathes her incense to the skies.

Ye may not trace the silver stream
Along its winding way,
Nor wonder at the setting beam,
To hail declining day :
For ev'ning's breeze and pearly dew,
So sweet, in health, were death to you.

E. A. LE NOIR.

SONNET I.

SOME boast the vine's intoxicating juice,
And call the Bacchanalian's joys divine ;
Some hoard up riches which they never use ;
But I adore nor splendid gold, nor wine.
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For some ambition spreads her varied charms,
Pointing the road to honour and to fame ;
Some love the clangor of opposing arms,
And seek for glory in a hero's name

But in my breast ambition ne'er found place ;
Nor does the clash of arms delight mine
ears :
Be mine the bliss to gaze upon the face
Of her I love, in smiles when it appears ;
To taste the balmy kiss, to view her swim-
ming eye ;
Press her soft breast, and hear her melting
sigh.

J. W.

SONNET II.

CANTICLES ii. 10.

RISE up, my love ! my fair one, come
away ;
Stern Winter's fled ; and Spring comes dan-
cing on,
Drest in a robe of fragrant flowrets gay,
And o'er tempestuous storms has rais'd her
throne.
Warbling melodious notes, from every spray,
The plumag'd choir my fairest love invite ;
The scented grape nectarebus, meets the
sight ;
The beauteous flowers their varied tints
display :
The turtle-dove is cooing in the grove,
The blooming landscape is with verdure
crown'd ;
All nature kindly ministers to love ;
Then let the dimpling laugh of pleasure
found :
Haste, my beloved, why dost thou delay ?
Rise up my love ! my fair one, come away.

J. W.

ELEGIAC VERSES

TO THE MEMORY OF MR. ISAIAH BARDSLEY,
LATE OF STOCKPORT, IN CHESHIRE.

ONE spirit more has gain'd its native sky !
Exult, ye base ; the eye that watch'd you
sleeps ;
While o'er the grave, where BARDSLEY's re-
lics lie,
The good lament, and silent Merit weeps.
Ask whence his stores of intellectual worth ?
The poet's ardour ? or the patriot's flame ?
Who form'd his mind, and call'd his genius
forth ?
Who taught him to deserve or covet fame ?

No patron own'd him ; no Athenian porch,
Nor academic shade, for him distill'd
The dews of knowledge, or display'd the
torch
Of truth and science, to his mind unskill'd.
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'Twas at the midnight hour, in secret stole
From the scant sum, sleep was allow'd to
waste,
That he enlarg'd the treasures of his soul,
Refin'd his feelings, and improv'd his
taste.

The day to care and industry apply'd.
The lack of patrimonial wealth restor'd :
Hence independence, hence that honest
pride,
Which only independence can afford.

Unaw'd by power, though reverencing the
throne ;
His mind unfetter'd, though the church
was dear
To all his hopes—alike to him unknown,
The flatterer's meanness, and the coward's
fear.

Ardent he burn'd with friendship's holy flame;
And all that fondes to a husband gave :
A parent's love, his merit, and his blame !
A parent's anguish brought him to the grave
Adieu, blest shade ! by each kind office ty'd
To him who long esteem'd thee, and who
knew

Thy life one constant effort to avoid
Fame, to thy virtues and thy talents due.
Forgive thy friend ! if eager to approve
He round thy memory one faint wreath
would twine,
A lasting token of unshaken love,
Constant and pure, but not as strong, as
thine.

W. HAMPSHIRE.

VERSES TO THE MEMORY OF THE LATE JOSEPH BROWN,

OF LOTHERSDALE;

*Who had suffered a long Confinement in the Castle
of York, and the Loss of all his worldly Property,
for Conscience' Sake; by one who had
been his Fellow-prisoner.*

"SPIRIT, leave thine house of clay;
Lingering dust, resign thy breath;
Spirit, cast thy chains away:
Dust, be thou dissolv'd in death."

Thus, thy guardian angel spoke,
As he watch'd thy dying bed;
As the bonds of life he broke,
And the ransom'd captive fled.

"Prisoner, long detain'd below,
Prisoner, now with freedom blest;
Welcome, from a world of woe !
Welcome to a land of rest!"

Thus, thy guardian angel sang,
As he bore thy soul on high;
While with Hallelujahs rang
All the region of the sky.

Ye that mourn a father's loss;
Ye that weep a friend, no more,
Call to mind the Christian cross
Which your friend, your father bore.

Grief, and penury, and pain,
Still attended on his way,
And oppression's scourge and chain,
More unmerciful than they.

Yet, while travelling in distress,
('Twas the eldest curse of sin)
Through the world's waste wilderness ;
He had Paradise within ;

And along that vale of tears,
Which his humble footsteps trod,
Still a shining path appears,
Where the mourner walk'd with God:

Till his master from above,
When the promis'd hour was come,
Sent the chariot of his love,
To convey the wand'rer home.

Saw ye not the wheels of fire,
And the steeds that cleft the wind?
Saw ye not his soul aspire,
When his mantle dropt behind ?

Ye that caught it as it fell,
Bind that mantle round your breast;
So in you his meekness dwell;
So on you his spirit rest !

Yet, rejoicing in his lot,
Still shall memory love to weep
O'er the venerable spot,
Where his dear cold relics sleep.

Grave, the guardian of his dust;
Grave, the treasury of the skies;
Every atom of thy trust
Rests in hope again to rise.

Hark ! the Judgment-trumpet calls,
" Soul, rebuild thine house of clay,
And immortal be thy walls!
And eternal be thy day!"

DESCRIPTION OF A COMET.

WHEN the dread comet verges on the
sun,

His lengthen'd course of centuries outrun;
He full imbibes the renovative flame,
The planets dwindling in his fiercer beam.
He sweeps around the fervid source of day,
Then headlong launches on his destin'd way.
His splendours dimm'd, as onward he retires:
In ruddy gleams his languid torch expires:
And now beyond where Herschel's utmost
sphere,

Unblest, revolves along his dark career:
Progressive holds his unabated flight,
Through the profound of everlasting night:
For here, each sun, diminish'd to a star,
Shoots a faint ray, and twinkles from afar;
Amid the vast, his self-suspended ball
Long ages view obscure, and silent roll:
Elaps'd his years; attraction's rising power,
Through space impels him swifter every hour;
Till now against the gloom a pallid glow
His sides reflect, like night o'er Lapland
snow.

Anon

Anon his beams avenging fate declare
To guilty states and scatter anxious fear;
And pierce the tyrant's iron-heart with dread,
That Heaven prepares to whelm his blood-stain'd head.
How rapid, see! he sweeps the heavenly plain,
Behind him cast the blue disastrous flame.

Now from the floods of light emerg'd he flies,
And wide around illumines the nightly skies:
Unwearied, hastening to pursue again
His dreary flight through midnight's chill domain.

Lancaster.

D.

Extracts from the Port-folio of a Man of Letters.

A THEOLOGICAL DIFFICULTY.

IN one of the Jesuit Missionary Letters, entitled, " *Lettres Edifiantes & Curieuses*," an observation is made of the gross ignorance of the papas or priests of the Greek church, of which the following story is given as an instance: " A country papa coming to Salónica, put this question to a papa of that city: ' Is it true that Christ is God? I think I have frequently heard this asserted; but, on the other hand, they say he is a man. How can these two things be made to agree? If he is God, how can he be a man; and if he is a man, how can he be God?' The city papa thereupon gave a lesson in the catechism to his village brother, who readily acquiesced in every thing." The writer goes on to observe, that it was not necessary to be a great theologian to resolve this question.

JEWISH RECRUITS.

In the same letter is the following story: " The Pass of Rondine in the district of Salónica is infamous for the robberies and murders committed in it, which have given it the name of the Valley of Robbers. When Sultan Amurath was engaged in the siege of Bagdat, having occasion for recruits, he sent an order for all the Jews in Salónica, of age to bear arms, to join him. Armed at all points, they left the city, to the number of seven or eight thousand, in order to go to Constantinople, and thence into Asia. They marched proudly in order of battle; but hearing of the robbers at the Pass of Rondine, they made a halt, and called a council of war. In this, it was determined, by a plurality of voices, that it would be proper to tend to Salónica and request an escort of janissaries to protect them against the banditti. The Bashaw, a man of sense, perceiving that there could be little dependance upon such troops, sent them their dismission, and ordered them to return to their respective homes.

TRANSPARENT DRESS OF THE LADIES.

We are informed by ancient writers, that the dresses worn by the Lacedaemonian maidens were so made as to be highly indecent, and not to answer a principal end of cloathing; and it is probable that the Jewish ladies, described by Itaiah (chap. iii.) might wear dresses of a similar fashion, vestments of the cob-web kind, a sort of no-coverings, which would not hinder the wearers from appearing almost naked; such as Menander calls *διαφανες χιτωνος*, a transparent vest, and mentions as the dress of a courtesan; and such as Varro styles *vitreas vestes*, glassy vestments; and Horace, from the island of Coos where the stuff was made, denominates *Coan*, lib. 1. sat. 2. line 101.

" ————— Cois tibi pæne videre est
Ut nudam."

" Through the *Coan* vest
You almost see her naked."

This *Coan* stuff was probably a kind of very thin silk or gauze. So Lady M. W. Montagu,* describing her Turkish dress, says, her smock was of fine white silk gauze, closed at the neck with a diamond button, but the shape and colour of the bosom was very well to be distinguished through it.

Dr. Shaw informs us, (Travels, p. 241.) that " in the Levant, mirrors form a part of female dress; for that the Moorish women in Barbary are so fond of their ornaments, and particularly of their looking-glasses, which they hang upon their breasts, that they will not lay them aside, even when after the drudgery of the day they are obliged to go two or three miles with a pitcher or a goat's skin to fetch water." And it is certain, from Exodus 38, 8. that the Israelitish women used to carry their mirrors, made of polished brafs, with them, even to their most solemn places of worship; but it is by no means

* Letters, vol. 2. 8vo. p. 183-4.

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equally certain that they ever wore transparent garments.

In the 3d chapter of Isaiah, referred to above, the prophet particularly describes the manners and dress of the Jewish ladies, which appear to have been something nearly of the same description as those of the more fashionable part of the females of the present day.

THOMAS WOOLETON.

Thomas Wooleton, B. D. some time fellow of Sidney College, in Cambridge, was tried and convicted in March, 1729, in the Court of King's Bench, for causing to be printed and published a blasphemous book, entitled, *Discourses on the Miracles of our Saviour*. The judgment against him was, that he should pay a fine of 500l. suffer a year's imprisonment, and give security for his good behaviour during life, himself in a recognizance of 2000l. two securities in 1000l. each, or four in 500l. each.

To these discourses there were several answers. That written by Mr. Solomon Lowe, is a concise, clear, and matterly performance. *The Trial of the Witnesses of the Resurrection of Jesus*, in answer to Mr. Wooleton's Discourse on the Resurrection, is an entertaining and elegant piece, written with much spirit, correctnes, energy, and good sense, without the least degree of that scurrility which was formerly so common in religious disputes.

The following paragraph was printed in several newspapers: "On Saturday night, January 27, 1722.3, died Mr. Wooleton, author of the Discourses on our Saviour's Miracles, in the 66th year of his age. About four or five minutes before he died, he uttered these words:— 'This is a struggle which all men must go through, and which I bear, not only with patience, but willingness.' Upon which he closed his eyes, and shut his lips, with seeming design to compose his face with decency, without the help of a friend's hand, and then he expired."

ORIGINAL LETTERS.

Dr. Jeremy Taylor to Dr. Langdale.
(Ex M/s R. Thoresby, Esq.)

DEARE BROTHER,

THEY letter was most welcome to mee, bringing the happy news of thy recovery. I had notice of thy danger, but watched for this happy relation, and had layd wayte with Royton to inquire of Mr. Rombould. I hope I shall not neede to bid thee be carefull for the perfecting thy health, and to be fearful of a relapse; though I am very much, yet thou thyself

art more concerned in it. But this I will remind thee off, that thou be infinitely to performe to God all those holy promises which I suppose thou didst make in thy sicknesse, and remember what thoughts thou hadst then, and beare them along upon thy spiritt all thy life time, for that which was true then is so still, and the world is really as vaine a thing as thou didst then suppose it. I durst not tell thy mother of thy danger (though I heard of it) 'till at the same time I told her of thy recovery. Poore woman! she was troubled and pleased at the same time; but your letter did determine her. I take it kindly that thou hast writ to Bowman. If I had bene in condition, you should not have beene troubled with it; but as it is, thou and I must be content. Thy mother sends her blessing to her and her little Mary; soe do I, and my prayers to God for you both. Your little cosens are your servants; and I am,

Thy most affectionate and
endeared brother,

Nov. 24th, 1643. JER. TAYLOR.

Supd.

To my very deare brother, Dr. Langdale, at his apothecarie's houfe in Gainsborough.

BISHOPS.

Usher, Archbishop of Armach, to Mr. Wm. Brook.

(Ex M/s. R. Thoresby, Esq.)

Dublin, October 18th, 1665.

SIR,

There was such a deare affection betweene your father and me, that I pswade myselfe you, reflecting upon that, will not be unwilling to doe me any reasonable civilitie, and upon that confidence I intreat you to doe me that favour as to assit and advise my brother in such things as doth and may concerne me.

I have a desire to buy some more lard in your towne, that I may leave such a proportion there as may encourage one of my sons to my knowe, and sometimes to repaire to, the place where I was bornt.— When any is to be sold, I pray you to helpe my brother in the buying of it, soe that I may neither pay too deare nor purchase an uncertaine title; and what is contracted for I will see honestly psid, provided that I have convenient time to returne money. I had a desire to build an hospital in your towne, but seeing you and the rest of the towne desires that I shall rather build a free schoole, I shall observe your desires, and have given my brother

brother Robert orders to gett stones as money shall come in : he writes to me that you are pleased to give leave that they should be got in your quarry, for which I thanke you. If it please God to blesse me with life, I intend to settle some land upon the school, to continue for ever ; but that land I desire to buy in some of your neighbour townes, and not in others.— When an opportunitie happens for such a

purchase, I pray let my brother know, that he may acquaint me both with the quantitie and rate. I hope you will pardon this trouble given you, by, S.r,

Your most affectionate friend,
JA. ARMACHANUS.

Superscript.

For my very loving friend, Mr. Wm. Brooke, att his house in Drichlington, in Yorkshire.

MEMOIRS OF EMINENT PERSONS.

LIFE OF COUNT GRIFFENFELD, *the DANISH LEGISLATOR*; translated from the DANISH of O. MALLING.

GRIFFENFELD, one of the most illustrious statesmen that Denmark, nay, that even Europe, can boast, was not indebted for his high preferments and titles to blind chance. It is rare, however, that men of the most shining abilities rise to honours and emoluments merely through personal merit. Every man, almost, has lucky moments in his life ; and Griffenfeld, in this respect, seems to have made the best use of those that fell to his lot. He was highly gifted by nature, and those gifts were cultivated by the most unremitting industry, and a grasp of mind calculated to embrace great plans, and to render the most important services to his country.

This is not the place to enumerate the many advantages which the state derived from the exertion of his talents ; we shall only mention his application to those studies which formed the mind of this great man.

Griffenfeld was scarce nine years of age when he was placed in the school of Copenhagen : he was not long in this seminary, when he gave public proofs of the promptitude of his genius, which did him great honour. A disputation was to be held in the academy for the degree of doctor : it was a custom, on these occasions, that one of the ablest of the students should be chosen to recite in public the subject matter of the theses which were to be opposed and defended. Young Schumacher (his family name) was named by a large majority, and the happy manner in which he discharged this task, was a proof that this preference to the rest of his elder fellow-students was not dictated by party, but that it justified the choice.

When he was a junior sophister, he maintained three public disputations : those who heard him on these occasions,

and who were excellent judges, bore ample testimony to the superiority of his powers, and encouraged him to continue with unabating ardour, in that career in which he had already distinguished himself, though he had scarce completed the thirteenth year of his age. Griffenfeld did not stand in need of any incitement, his mind was naturally devoted to the pursuit of knowledge. He turned his attention to the study of mathematics, divinity, the Eastern languages, and eloquence. He never missed a public lecture ; he read the best writers he could find, explored new paths in science, and distinguished himself in every department of knowledge.

Learning always looks for a guide and protector—Griffenfeld found both. Bishop Brokman, one of the most pious and learned men of his day, had converted his house into a school, in which young men of promising talents were trained up, in all those arts that contributed to the happiness and embellishment of that country. The fame of Griffenfeld reached this prelate's ear ; he therefore adopted him as a son ; as his father, a wine-merchant in Copenhagen, had just died in very indigent circumstances. Here he was left entirely to those books and studies which pleased him most. The good bishop soon found that he was not disappointed in the hopes which he had entertained of his pupil.

Frederick III. chanced to sup one night with the bishop, who took occasion to speak of this young man : he praised him, and as a proof that he had not over-rated the progress which he had made in his studies, he was called, with the king's permission, and explained several passages in the Hebrew Bible, with a facility and facility that pleased the king so highly, that he immediately ordered him an annuity of 300 dollars for six years, in order to travel into foreign countries. The royal bounty could not have been directed to a more worthy object, than to a person who prefers

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ferred the acquisition of knowledge to that of wealth, for in all his travels the former was his sole end. In Germany, France, England, Italy, and wherever he came, he reflected honour on his country : he sought out the learned, and they sought him ; he attended their lectures, he conversed and corresponded with them on almost every subject. In England he was peculiarly distinguished, so far, that, notwithstanding he was only a Danish student, yet he was requested by the most learned body in that kingdom to sit for his picture, which is honoured with a place amongst the great men in the library of the university of Oxford.

Before he set out on his travels, he laid down a plan, which he followed up with so much success, that his country reaped the advantages of it. He turned his thoughts to the study of state policy, a science little known to the Danes at the time ; he learned to speak and write the living languages with fluency and correctness ; he observed the effects of the different laws of every country through which he passed, on the manners and state of the inhabitants ; he weighed the policy and state maxims of the different courts, so that in these pursuits and enquiries he expended the pension which his sovereign was pleased to allow him.

On his return to his native country, he sat down to reduce the result of his observations into maxims of state, for the mutual welfare of the king and his people.— As an instance of his promptitude, he once stepped forth, when no other person could be found to do it, and answered the speech of an Imperial Ambassador in elegant Latin, though at the time he scarce knew the contents of it, and of course had not turned it over in his mind. It is not a matter of surprize then such a man should be appointed by his prince to write a Code of Laws for his kingdom, which, for perspicuity, order, and elegance of language, stands, even to this day, unrivalled. His actions therefore evince, that a single pen is as useful to the state, and as destructive to the foe, as a host of armed men.

It is to be lamented, and cannot be denied, that this extraordinary man, by some unhappy oversight, furnished his enemies with an opportunity of blasting all his reputation : he was accused of some mal-practices, and at last condemned to lose his head, which was afterwards commuted for perpetual imprisonment. Even in this fallen situation, the king used often to speak of his talents with admiration mingled with regret. As his majesty one day sat

in council, he was one day heard to say— “ In a single Griffenfeld I have found more wisdom than in all this council.”

ACCOUNT OF COUNT ALFIERI AND TUSCAN LITERATURE.

COUNT VITTORIO ALFIERI is no more ; and with him the pure springs of the Tuscan Hippocrate, we may safely say, are completely drained. In vain the greatest of all politicians, naturalists, physicians, astronomers, and mathematicians, such as Niccolò Machiavelli, Galileo Galilei, and Francesco Redi, with many more eminent men, have endeavoured to set a memorable example to my countrymen in their works (whose excellency would have secured them the same immortality, if written even in the vilest dialect of Italy) by writing on the most abstruse subjects with all the purity of style, and the finest flowers of the Tuscan idiom.

To come out of a regular grammar school, or university, where the Tuscan language is no more taught than the Chinese, is now-a-days a sufficient qualification for any of my countrymen to become authors on literary or scientific subjects in their native tongue.*

The writers themselves of grammatical works, while they do not dare to lay down a single rule without the authority of those illustrious fathers of the Tuscan eloquence, Dante, Boccaccio, Petrarcha, Villani, Poggio, &c. disgrace their very pages with the most trivial, inharmonious, and negligent diction. Nothing can be more useful and judicious than Corticelli's Grammar, or the *Prospetto de Verbi Toscani*, by Pistolesi ; and nothing can be more despicable than the low style of their prefaces, and grammatical remarks, if we except the quotations, which shine scattered here and there, like diamonds in a dung-hill.

Any native of Tuscany or any other

* The Tuscan language is taught in the Universities out of Tuscany ; but those scholars have to surmount the corruption of their dialect (Romans only excepted, who speak universally the Tuscan language, with great accuracy, as to the utterance of its sounds, but with far greater corruption than the Tuscans in point of terms, conjugation of verbs, idioms, &c.) which they learn with their nurse ; so that those who excel in their Tuscan writings are real phenomena. Such, however, and a very wonderful one too, was Count ALFIERI, born at Asti, in Piedmont. I know of no other since the days of Bembo and Casa.

part of Italy may now set up for a Tuscan poet, if he be only born with a kind of natural sprightliness of mind, which, united to a knowledge of mythology, and the superficial reading of some poets in any language, may enable him to please his readers with imagery, and that *tinsel* so violently reproached in *Tasso*, while only very few lines of his noble poem deserve that charge. These poetaсты, nevertheless, speak very highly of *Petrarca*; but they are far from bestowing any pains in imitating that admirable bard, either in the purity of terms, justness of epithets, or in the syntax and construction of the verbs, sentences, and periods.

The prose-writers are still worse: they would think it beneath their conceited importance to attend to any thing besides the force of their arguments, or the illustration of their subject. They have always ready for their defence these trite lines of *Horace, Ar. Poet.*

—“*Licuit, semperque licebit
Signatum præsente notā producere nomen.*”

If we ask them which are the words that may be said to be stamped *præsente notā*, they immediately reply with another line of the same author: those sanctioned by *use* or *custom*—

“*Quem penes arbitrium est et jus et norma
loquendi.*”

Allowed, I would say to them; but by this *custom* or *use*, is it to be understood, in these matters, of the style of writing or speaking of the greatest portion of a nation? Most certainly not; for *Quintilian, Inst. Orat. Lib. 1, Cap. 6*, justly observes, that if the *use* or *custom*, “*ex eo quod plures faciunt, nomen accipiat, periculosisimum dabit præceptum non orationi modo, sed, quod majus est, vita.*” What are we then to understand by *custom*? The same author tells it to us *ibid.* in plain terms, “*Con-suetudinem sermonis vocabo consensum eruditorum; sicut vivendi, consensum bonorum.* And who are to be considered those *erudi* capable of furnishing a genuine standard for literary composition? Those who have studied rhetoric in the Latin* language; or those who have learnt natural philosophy, mathematics, law, &c.? How can all these sciences give these *erudi* a correct and elegant style, when nei-

ther themselves nor their preceptors have ever bestowed any time in attentively perusing their best Tuscan classics, or studying their grammarians and critics? If they would make themselves perfectly acquainted with those books, and they were to find the Tuscan language deficient in words to express what they want, then indeed, and only then—

“*Fingere cinctutis non exaudita Cetbegis
Continget.*”

What I have observed on the proper choice of words, is equally applicable to the syntax of every sentence; and that *concinnitas*, or *callida junctura*, as the above Latin critics call it, consisting in that harmonious and elegant arrangement of sentences and periods, so fascinating in the writings of the purest Tuscan classics.

Since unfortunately our language has, through neglect, so much degenerated, in ludicrous, colloquial, or very familiar subjects, one ought to follow the current, and write or speak, as it is now universally done in polite circles: but in lyric, sublime, elegant, scientific, or didactic subjects, the classics who have respectively written upon them should be our indispensable guidance as to the style and the syntax of our writings. For they have not only acquired immortal fame for themselves, but the Tuscan idiom owes to them its own too; without whom it would never have become so universally admired in Europe above all other living languages for its harmony, delicacy, and exquisite beauties.*

Our modern prose-writers, however, like so many literary democrats, scorn to be confined by any rule, and each of them writes according to that language he has most read; if Latin, like Latins; if Greek,

* Horace says that languages change, and Dr. JOHNSON has adorned the title page of his dictionary with those lines; but I maintain that it is only through neglect that languages change—if they were properly cultivated, they would become permanent by books. Such changes may have proved useful to the English (though the sublime writings of Shakespeare make me of the contrary opinion, submitting always, as a foreigner, to the English literati on this point), but they have proved highly detrimental to the Tuscan language, which had attained its highest point of perfection in the 14th century. The MEDICI had nearly brought it to its former purity; but, as Alfieri says, “*Boreal scettro, irrefrabil, duro,*” has soon undone what they had so gloriously effected.

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* The book used to teach rhetoric in the grammar-schools of Tuscany is written in Latin, and only Latin quotations are introduced in it. I entertain little doubt of this being the case in all the schools of Italy.

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like Greeks; if French, like the French, &c. As to their Tuscan classics, far from seriously studying them, they ridicule the very names of *Boccaccio*, *Bembo*, *Casa*, *Salviati*, &c., &c. and because the celebrated Academy *Della Crusca* have compiled a dictionary from the authority of the purest authors, and written their explanations and preface with equal elegance; instead of availing themselves of this invaluable treasure of Tuscan eloquence; they often compose lampoons against these eminent compilers, and ridicule them by compositions supposed to come from them, replete with all the obsolete words to be met with in their *Vocabolario*; as if they had insinuated the use of those antiquated terms, or adopted them themselves: while, on the contrary, they expressively observe that such words have been registered for the intelligence of ancient authors; and, to warn the reader from adopting them, they have constantly annexed to each either the initials *V. A.* or *V. L.* meaning as they say, that such a word is either *ancient* or *pure Latin*.

But no more of this subject; in vain volumes have been written already upon it; and they might be doubled in vain. The evil is now too universal, too inveterate. Let us content ourselves with the perusal of the ancient Tuscan classics, and those who flourished under the MEDICI; and let their admirable language be considered as dead.

DOMINICO MORIA MANNI* died while I was at Florence, seventeen years ago; and with him the Tuscan prose was buried. VITTORIO ALFIERI is now dead; and with him the Tuscan Muses are fled for ever.† No other qualification, no other

characteristic ornament, no other distinctive mark, or peculiar beauty, is left to the Tuscan tongue, but the exclusive power of finishing all its words in a vowel.*

Count ALFIERI, Mr. Editor, honoured frequently the city of Sienna (my native place) with his presence; and there the first edition of his inimitable Tragedies appeared, under his immediate inspection, about twenty years ago, in three volumes 4to.

When I was first called, as preceptor of the Tuscan language, to enjoy the happiness of living in this blissful land of freedom, in 1789, by the kind invitation of the late JOSIAH WEDGEWOOD, Esq. I did not fail to provide myself with these invaluable volumes, and I would venture to say, that I was the first to import them into Great Britain; since the first notice taken of them, I ever saw, was in a newspaper in 1791; and the Monthly Reviewers gave an account of them in December, 1797.

By a chain of fortunate events, having been introduced to that illustrious historian, WILLIAM ROSCOE, Esq. among many flattering honours and inestimable favours, graciously bestowed upon me, both by him, and his amiable and learned friend, WILLIAM CLARKE Esq. were a few copies of hitherto unpublished poems of LORENZO DE' MEDICI, in 8vo. which have afterwards appeared again in the second volume of his Life.

I had only been a few weeks in London, when I heard that Count ALFIERI was an inhabitant of the same metropolis. I immediately sent him a copy of those poems to Upper Seymour-street, with a letter, to which the Count condescended to make the following answer.

"*Al Sigre: Antonio Montucci, Londra.*"

"*PARDON MIO STIMATISSIMO*

"*Recevo per mezzo del Sigr. Edwards la di lei cortesissima lettera accompagnata col do- no per me preziosissimo delle rime finora inedito del gran Lorenzo. Per la stessa via del Sigr. Edwards non sapendo finora dov' ella abiti in Londra, mi affretto di rispondere per*

* In the Tuscan language there are no more than six monosyllables, and four or five words besides which end necessarily in a consonant; but many may be so terminated, when harmony requires it, by the usual contraction of the last vowel or syllable.

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* The last survivor of the Academicians *de la Crusca*, author and editor of many works; who had a considerable share in the compilation of the last classical edition of the *Vocabolario*, done at Florence, 1729.

† Besides nineteen tragedies, poems, &c Count Alfieri has distinguished himself by several works in prose, written with the greatest purity of style and the most impressive Tuscan elegance, much resembling the famous translation of *Tacitus*, by Davanzati.—It is inexplicable why the criticisms, with which the Count has accompanied the Edition of his tragedies, done at Paris, are written in a most negligent and unclassical style, very much like that of his eminent opponent Calzabigi, whose criticisms, and the Count's reply to them, are found in the same Paris edition of the tragedies.

ringraziarla vivamente dell' una, e dell' altro. Senza insuperbirmi; né credere alle non meritate lodi; che la di lei gentilezza le dettava, ho ammirato nel suo foglio la esattezza delle correzioni, e varianti, che ella si è compiaciuta con tanta sua pena inferiroi, e farranno aggiunte al libro. Ho ammirato in lei altresì il suo scrivere, e lo assorborò caldamente il nostro Poeta. (*Dante*) pregi oramai rari pur troppo nell' addormentata Italia, che se stessa, e le sue ricchezze e forge non sente. Mi rallegrò dunque di cuore d'aver trovato uno di più, che sente il bello, e spero al mio ritorno di Scocia, per dove parto a giorni, di nuovamente rallegramene feco di bocca. Intando me le profetto di cuore.

*Londra 12,
Luglio, 1804.*

Suo Devotmo. Servo.
VITTORIO ALFIERI.

As the Italian literati will now be very busy in collecting all that is extant of that immortal poet, pray, Mr. Editor, communicate them the above letter (by the means of your invaluable miscellany) although addressed to an insignificant member of the literary world, whose abilities are confined to giving some Tuscan lessons, musing over some Chinese volumes, and reading the *Monthly Magazine* for a mental recreation.

ANTONIO MONTUCCI.

Pancras, April 21, 1804.

P. S. Any of your readers desirous of seeing the original of the above letter, will be welcome to a sight, by applying to me.

PROCEEDINGS OF LEARNED SOCIETIES.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FRANCE.

MEMOIR on the OBSERVATIONS which it is of importance to make on the TIDES, in the different PORTS of the REPUBLIC, read in the SITTING of the 26th FLOREAL, YEAR XI. (May 16, 1803.)

IN its sitting of the 12th Floreal last, the class, i. e. the third class of the Institute had named a committee, consisting of the Citizens La Place, Rochon, and Levêque, for the purpose of drawing up a plan of observations to be made on the tides, in the different ports of the republic. The following memoir contains the views and reflections of the commissaries on this important object.

In the natural sciences, theories are at first, only an explication, more or less ingenious, of the phenomena, which is necessarily subordinate to the number of known facts, and to the accuracy with which they have been observed. Properly speaking, it is only a species of curline, more or less extensive, which embraces all that is known on the subject treated of.

We commonly remain long attached to these first theories, or rather these first sketches; time and the authority of authors, confer a sort of sanction on them, the effect of which is to dispense with further observations, and by that mean to render the science stationary, during considerable intervals of time.

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It is only when the mass of facts becomes convincing and plausible in the aggregate, that premature explications are abandoned, in order to adopt other principles. Experience is the first and the principal instrument of all our physical knowledge; nevertheless, before this can be well established, the human mind must have made a considerable progres; of course, experimental philosophy is a science quite modern.

But if the number and the accuracy of observations can alone give rise to true theories, it is equally evident that we do not perceive the necessity of good observations, until we become acquainted with the true laws of nature; it is only at this point of time, that in every part of the natural sciences, the art of observation makes real progress and extends its dominion.

Amongst the great phenomena of nature, that of the flux and reflux of the sea has always been an object of admiration with all men, and of meditation, and even painful investigation, for philosophers.

Pitheas conjectured that the tides were regulated by the moon. Strabo has tolerably well described the principal phenomena; and, from time to time, different opinions have been propagated as to the causes of the flux and reflux of the sea, the most remarkable of which, by the number and character of its partizans, is that of De cartes. We find, in fact, some pas-

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sages in ancient authors, which attribute the cause of it to the attraction of the heavenly bodies; but these ideas, which were only simple, rude notions, remained unimproved till the time of Newton; as true knowledge cannot be obtained until we are advanced far enough to submit it to analysis, and make it the subject of a rigorous calculation; it is only, properly speaking, at this period that the science commences.

The most simple observations, and even those the most circumscribed to one spot, ought, long before the time of Pitheas, to have induced a suspicion that the tides are regulated by the moon; all the inhabitants of the coasts of the ocean might have been readily convinced of it. Indeed, every thing announces this fact with the same evidence as the return of the seasons. We cannot bestow great encomiums on the authors who have spoken of it the first; it was not with them, properly speaking, a discovery, nor even an observation at all profound. Till Newton, the world was completely ignorant of the true cause of this wonderful phenomenon. Till his time, men wandered in vain hypotheses and were far from supposing that it was subject to the same law as that which regulates and determines the movements of the different parts of the planetary system.

Notwithstanding this profound ignorance of causes, navigation, that art which lays all others under contribution, has early derived great advantages from the facts ascertained. It was sufficient to observe, that the daily stop of the tides is sensibly uniform; that they return at the same hour every fortnight, and that the highest tides take place at the time of the new and full moon. It was sufficient from a knowledge of these data, to be able to calculate the time of high tide, with a precision that was satisfactory and which was perfectly adequate to the wants of the first ages.

Now that we have no longer any thing to wish for, with regard to the theory of the flux and reflux of the sea; and that, thanks to the progress of analysis, since Newton, all its details and effects have been calculated with the precision requisite in the observations of the celestial phenomena; it becomes an incumbent duty to multiply and perfect these observations, not in order to confirm a theory which no longer stands in need of demonstration, but in order to establish and determine a

number of delicate points in the system of the world; and likewise to account satisfactorily for certain apparent anomalies remarkable in particular regions of the globe, and to assign the real cause of them. It is already known, that these anomalies are a consequence of the general movement, modified, however, by local circumstances; but we still want to be able to ascertain the influence of those circumstances in every part; and this can only be done by good observations.

Besides, the safety of navigation is closely connected with these observations, and with the results that necessarily flow from them; for, considering the great draught of water in vessels, it is of no small importance to calculate with precision the exact hour of full tide, not only in the interior of the ports, but still more particularly, in the difficult passages that lie towards their mouth, where vessels can only pass securely at the time of high water. The navigation must be regulated in such a manner, as to arrive in these dangerous passages, precisely at the instant when they cease to be so; that is to say, about the time of high water. The whole coasting navigation stands in need of very exact documents with respect to the movement of the tides: and it is now high time to set about this enterprize, so that the marine and commerce may enjoy the advantages resulting from the actual state of our information. Public utility is the sole end of the meditations and researches of geometrical naturalists.

At the beginning of the last century, the Academy of Sciences perceived the urgent necessity of having accurate observations; it presented to M. le Comte de Pontchartrain, then at the head of the department of the marine, a memoir, in the form of instructions, relative to the necessity of deputing intelligent and capable persons to observe the flux and reflux of the sea, and the method that ought to be pursued in order to make the said observations. The Fathers Gouge and Lahire drew up the above memoir, agreeably to the views of the Academy. The Minister assigned this labour to the professors of navigation, established in the respective ports, and the academy received many series of observations, the principal of which were those made at Dunkirk and at Havre, during the years 1701 and 1702; the former by M. Baert, and those at Havre by M. Bossaye du Bocage; both professors of navigation.

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Cassini, the son, gave a descriptive account of these observations in the Memoirs of the Academy for the Year 1710, as, likewise, of others more ancient, made at Brest, in 1679; and at Bayonne, in 1680, by Lahire and Picard. He, likewise, gave a discussion, in the Memoirs of 1712 and 1713, on a long series of observations made at Brest, in the years 1711 and 1712. This series was begun by M. Montier, thence continued and extended to the year 1716, by M. Coubart, an able professor of navigation. These latter observations were particularly valuable for the number and the exact care with which they were drawn up. It is to be regretted that the observations of the year 1713 have been lost.

Although Cassini was attached to the system of Descartes, which was then in vogue, it is no less true that his labour on the subject of the observations we have just spoken of, is very useful, and, for a long time, formed the only positive documents relative to the course of the tides. By the help of this labour, D. Bernoulli, aided, moreover, by theory, formed his *Table of the Retardation of the Tides*, which has been, and still is, so useful to navigators. Premature systems perish, but facts are eternal.

We might here quote a multitude of occasions wherein the Academy of Sciences has not only endeavoured to accelerate the rational progress of the sciences, but, likewise, applied itself to the most important objects of public utility. No learned society has carried its solicitude so far in these respects; and the marine, in particular, is under eternal obligations to it. It is to the Academy of Sciences, that maritime Europe is indebted for the first principles in the theory of the construction of vessels, working of them, &c. as also the first judicious notions relative to the gauging of vessels, &c.

Exclusive of theory, the calculation of the tides repose upon facts; and principally on the knowledge of what we call *l'Etablissement des Ports*; or, the Tables taken at the Ports. We have, indeed, pretty ample documents; but they require to be rectified, and they call for the solicitude of the class. The state of the major number of the ports is not known with a precision adequate to our other knowledge; nor even with that which the safety of navigation requires. A fact remarkable enough is, that the late expedi-

tions round the world have furnished us, in regions many thousands of leagues distant from us, with more correct data than those we are in possession of, for many of our neighbouring ports, which we frequent every day.

The series of the observations at Brest, spoken of above, forms an aggregate, the theory of which furnishes all the results with a wonderful precision. Similar material for the other ports would, doubtless, leave nothing further to be wished for, as to the practical part, but still it would be always useful to make observations, and especially in circumstances wherein a number of cases concur together to form greater or lesser tides. It would be therefore of importance to make observations when the *perigee* or the *apogee* of the moon and of the sun concur with the *syzygie*; when the *perigee* of the moon, concurring with the *syzygie*, these two stars are near to the equator or to the tropics, &c. The tides of the quadratures, although of less importance for the operations of the sea-service, are yet not the less interesting in their courses; and, in all cases, observations become important, in order to ascertain the effect of accessory circumstances. We constantly observe eclipses, although it be no ways necessary to verify the principles upon which their prediction is established.

The tide of the new moon of *Germinal* last, furnishes an example of the utility of observations; it was observed at Brest, by our colleague Rochon. The circumstances were highly favourable to produce a very high tide, and this in effect took place. But what renders this observation truly important is, that the weather being almost calm, this tide was solely produced by the general cause without any complication of meteorological circumstances; and was no less, on that account, one of the highest that has been ever observed in that port. The observations of the same tide, made at Calais, by M. Septfontaines, are likewise very important.

Agreeably to the above considerations, the class whose principal object it is to extend its researches to all objects of public utility, cannot but take a great interest in the plan of observations that we are about to propose to it; and which may serve for instructions to the persons that shall be appointed to carry it into execution. This example will not fail to be followed up by foreign nations. In this

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last point, the class has a great influence, by its correspondence. Your committee therefore proposes 1. &c. &c.

(To be concluded in our next.)

MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY.

THE two first volumes of the Annals of this establishment are finished, and it appears to answer perfectly to the announcement that had been made of it in the prospectus. In fact, there is no compilation, on the natural sciences, so remarkable for its selection of memoirs, and the beauty of the engravings. As the zeal of the co-operators has not relaxed, and as there is no want of materials, the public may rest assured that the succeeding volumes will not be less interesting. The Museum possesses the richest collection of materials in the three kingdoms of nature, that has ever existed. This collection, due to the successive labours of a number of naturalists, to the researches of a multitude of voyagers, and to the donations received from all countries, has been prodigiously increased, of late years, by the combination and assemblage of a number of cabinets of Holland and Italy, and by the acquisitions which the First Consul has made, with a view to complete it. The general description of its contents, of such articles as are little known, and of the novel ones it has received, would be sufficient to fill up a great number of volumes; but the curators of this depository have not confined themselves to descriptions and chemical analyses; they are constantly employed in the pursuit of such results, as may be applicable to the progress of agriculture and the arts; to the theory of the earth, and to the advancement of that philosophy which studies the relations that nature has established among the different orders of beings. Renouncing all hypotheses, they admit nothing which is not supported by observation and experience. Thus the Annals of the Museum contain the actual history of the establishment; they exhibit a *conspectus* of its curiosities, its new daily acquisitions and the means of deducing advantageous results from them; and, lastly, they are intended to publish the observations and discoveries of the professors of the Museum, and those of their correspondents, who concur with them in their labours, for the progress of the sciences. Some historical notices are annexed, relative to such celebrated naturalists as have made important discoveries, and of whom

nothing has been written in France. The descriptions of new objects are accompanied with figures, engraved by the best artists. There are 31 plates in each of the two volumes that have just appeared. These plates are finished in a style more or less exquisite, according to the nature of the subject; they are even done in colours, when the colour forms an essential character: in this manner are executed the figures of certain stones, that have been found in the bodies of men, and other animals; and the engravings of the *molluscae* are of a most exquisite finishing. It is intended to give, in a series of memoirs, the history of such animals as are no longer to be met with in the living state, but whose fossil remains attest their existence anterior to all authentic human monuments. In digesting or arranging the promiscuous mass of these remains, means have been found to recompile the skeletons of a number of animals, to determine their characters, to decide whether they were herbivorous, or carnivorous, and to ascertain the place which they occupy in the scale of beings. It is likewise intended to publish occasional engravings of all such new plants as are now flourishing in the garden, with all the details of their fructification. Notices will also be given on the foreign plants acquired by the Museum, and which are meant to be naturalized in France, from their being useful, and because they will live in that climate. This has been already done with respect to the jalap plant, together with the New Zealand flax; and it is also meant to be done with the *batatas*, with certain fruits. &c. &c.

There will likewise be published, in one of the next numbers, three species belonging to the same genus, of the most beautiful flowers that can be cultivated, which will be engraved in colours, the better to display their lustre and beauty.

COLLEGE OF FORT WILLIAM.

ON Tuesday, the 29th of March, 1803, being the day appointed by his Excellency the Visitor, for the public disquisitions in the oriental language, the governors, officers, professors, and students, of the college assembled at nine o'clock, at the new government-house.

At a little before ten, his Excellency the Visitor, accompanied by the honourable the Chief Justice, the Members of the Supreme Council, the Members of the Council of the College, and the officers of his Excel-

Excellency's suite, entered the southern room on the marble floor, and took his seat at the west end of the room.

In front of his Excellency, seats were placed for the professors, and for such students as were to maintain the disputations, or to receive prizes and honorary rewards.

As soon as his Excellency had taken his seat, the disputations commenced in the following order :

Disputation in the Persian Language.

Position.—“The natives of India, under the British government, enjoy a greater degree of tranquillity, security, and happiness, than under any former government.”

Defended by Mr. R. Jenkins, Bombay. Chief opponent, Mr. T. Hamilton, Madras. Second opponent, Mr. J. Wauchope. Moderator, Lieut. J. Baillie, Professor.

Disputation in the Hindooftanee Language.

Position.—“The suicide of Hindoo Widows, by burning themselves with the bodies of their deceased husbands, is a practice repugnant to natural feelings, and inconsistent with moral duty.”

Defended by Mr. W. Chaplin, Madras. Chief opponent, Mr. R. T. Goodwin, Bombay. Second opponent, Mr. R. C. Ross, Madras. Moderator, John Gilchrist, Esq. Professor.

Disputation in the Bengalee Language.

Position.—“The distribution of Hindooos into castes, retards their progress in improvement.”

Defended by Mr. J. Hunter. Chief opponent, Mr. W. B. Martin. Second opponent, Mr. W. Morton. Moderator, W. C. Blaquier, Esq.

Declamations in the Arabic Language.

Were pronounced by Mr. R. Jenkins and Mr. E. Wood.

At the conclusion of the disputations in the Persian, Hindooftanee, and Bengalee languages, an appropriate speech in the language of the disputation was made by the respective moderators.

At the conclusion of the declamations in the Arabic language, Lieut. Baillie, the Professor of Arabic, delivered a speech in that language.

When the disputations and the Arabic declamations and speeches were concluded, his Excellency signified to the officers of

the college his directions, that the prizes and honorary rewards should be distributed in his presence on the ensuing day. His Excellency also notified his intention to confer the degree of honour established by the statutes on several students, whom he had directed the council of the college to present to him for that purpose.

On Wednesday the 30th of March, his Excellency the Visitor entered the room about half past eleven o'clock, accompanied by the honourable the Chief Justice, the Members of the Supreme Council, the Members of the Council of the College, and the officers of his Excellency's suite.

As soon as the Visitor had taken his seat, the Vice-provost proceeded to present to his Excellency those students who were entitled under statute 8, to receive degrees of honour, and whose presentation had been previously directed by his Excellency. The Vice-provost publicly read the certificate granted by the council of the college to each student respectively, specifying the high proficiency which he had made in the oriental languages, and also the regularity of his conduct during his residence at college. When the certificate had been read, his Excellency the Visitor presented to each student the honorary diploma inscribed on vellum in the oriental character; purporting that the Committee of public Examination having declared that the student had made such proficiency in certain of the oriental languages as entitled him to a degree of honour in the same, his Excellency was pleased to confer the said degree, in conformity to the statute.

The students now leaving college, on whom his Excellency was pleased to confer a degree of honour on this occasion, were,

Mr. William Butterworth Bayley, of the Establishment of Bengal.

Mr. Richard Jenkins, of the Establishment of Bombay.

Mr. William Byam Martin, of the Establishment of Bengal.

Mr. Terrick Hamilton, of the Establishment of Fort St. George.

Mr. William Chaplin, of the Establishment of Fort St. George.

Mr. Edward Wood, of the Establishment of Fort St. George; and

Mr. Richard Thomas Goodwin, of the Establishment of Bombay.

At the same time a degree of honour was conferred on the following students of last year;

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Mr. Jonathan Henry Lovett, of the Establishment of Bombay; and

Mr. Charles Lloyd, of the Establishment of Bengal.

After the degrees of honour had been conferred, the prizes, medals, and honorary rewards adjudged at the late public examination were distributed by the Provost, in presence of the Visitor, to the following students—

Messrs. Jenkins, Martin, Chaplin, Hamilton, Wood, Goodwin, Hunter, Wauchope, Ross, Morton, Romer, Gowin, Newnham, Sprott, Bourchier, Sparrow, Elliott, Cole, Puller, Walker, Plowden, and Turnbull.

After the prizes and honorary rewards had been distributed, his Excellency the Visitor was pleased to deliver the following speech.

**"GENTLEMEN OF THE COLLEGE
OF FORT WILLIAM,"**

"From the foundation of this college to the present time, the state of political affairs has not permitted me to discharge the grateful duty of presiding at your public exercises. My attention, however, has not been withdrawn from the progress, interests, and conduct of this institution. The principles on which this institution is founded, the spirit which it is designed to diffuse, and the purposes which it is calculated to accomplish, must enhance the importance of its success, in proportion to the exigency of every public crisis, and to the progressive magnitude, power, and glory of this empire.

"In the difficulties and dangers of successive wars, in the most critical juncture of arduous negotiations, in the settlement of conquered and ceded provinces, in the time of returning peace, attended by the extension of our trade, by the augmentation of our revenue, and by the restoration of public credit, I have contemplated this institution with conscious satisfaction and with confident hope. Observing your auspicious progress under the salutary operation of the statutes and rules of the College, I have anticipated the stability of all our acquisitions, and the security and improvement of every advantage which we possess.

"From this source, the service may now derive an abundant and regular supply of public officers, duly qualified to become the successful instruments of administering this government in all its extensive and complicated branches; of promoting its energy in war; of cultivating

and enlarging its resources in peace; of maintaining in honour and respect its external relations with the native powers; and of establishing (under a just and benevolent system of internal administration) the prosperity of our finances and commerce on the solid foundations of the affluence, happiness, and confidence of a contented and grateful people.

"These were the original purposes of this foundation, which was defined to aid and animate the efforts of diligence and natural genius, contending with the defects of existing establishments; to remove every obstacle to the progress of the public servants in attaining the qualifications requisite for their respective stations; to enlarge and to facilitate the means of acquiring useful knowledge; and to secure, by systematic education, fixed regulation, and efficient discipline, that attention to a due course of study, which hitherto depended on individual disposition, or accidental advantage.

"The necessity of providing such a system of education was not diminished by the numerous instances existing in the Company's service of eminent oriental learning, and of high qualification for public duty. A wise and provident government will not rest the public security, for the due administration of affairs, on the merits of any number or description of its public officers at any period of time. It is the duty of government to endeavour to perpetuate the prosperity of the state, by an uniform system of public institution; and by permanent and established law to transmit to future times, whatever benefits can be derived from present examples of wisdom, virtue, and learning. The supposition of an universal deficiency in that knowledge, which this College is calculated to extend, has never constituted a fundamental principle of the institution. Far from resting on such foundations, this institution could not have endured for an hour, it could not have commenced, without the active aid of learning, talents, and virtues, furnished from the bosom of this service.

"The origin of this College, its present prosperity, and its beneficial effects, are to be ascribed in a great degree to the assistance which I have derived from those respectable characters in the higher branches and in various departments of the service, who, by contributing their zealous exertions to promote the success of the institution, have endeavoured to extend the benefit

benefit of their useful acquisitions and of their salutary example, and to continue in the public service a succession of merit similar to that, which has distinguished their conduct in their respective stations.

" With these sentiments, during my absence from the presidency, it was highly satisfactory to me, that my authority in this college should have been represented by a gentleman who is peculiarly qualified to appreciate the advantages of the institution, and to accelerate its success; and whose eminent character, and honourable progress in the service, furnish at once the most perfect example which can be proposed for your imitation, and the most powerful incitement which can be offered to your ambition.

" The report which I received from Mr. Barlow, of the progress of the institution, during the first year of its operation, satisfied me, that many of the students had been considerably distinguished, not only by proficiency in the oriental languages and literature, but by a laudable observance of the statutes and rules of the college; that the officers, professors, and teachers, had manifested an uniform zeal and attention in the discharge of their respective duties; that the public examinations had been conducted with great knowledge and ability, and had proved highly creditable to the general character of the students; while the disputations in the Persian, Bengalee, and Hindooostanee languages, had afforded an extraordinary example of the progress of the students, who had maintained public arguments in those languages on the 6th of February, 1802.

" The result of the examination holden in January last, at the conclusion of the fourth term of the year 1802, and the the public disputations which have been maintained in my presence, have afforded me the cordial satisfaction of witnessing the progressive improvement of the students in every branch of oriental language and literature in which lectures have been opened. I am happy to observe, that in the Persian, Hindooostanee, and Arabic classes, the comparative proficiency, at the last examination, exceeds that which appeared on the 6th of February, 1802. In the Bengalee language, a considerable proficiency has been manifested. In the course of the last year, a commencement has been made in the study of the Tamul and Shanscrit languages, and the great improvement of the students

in the Arabic language, has been rendered particularly conspicuous by the declaimations in that language holden for the first time on this occasion.

" The degrees of honour which I have conferred this day on Mr. William Butterworth Bayley, Mr. Richard Jenkins, Mr. William Byam Martin, Mr. Terick Hamilton, Mr. William Chaplin, Mr. Edward Wood, Mr. Richard Thomas Godyn, Mr. Jonathan Henry Lovett, and Mr. Charles Lloyd, sufficiently indicate, that the proficiency which has been made in oriental literature, has been intimately connected with other liberal attainments, and has been united to a correct observance of the statutes and rules of the college.

" Considerable force and animation have been derived to the principles of the institution, from the honourable emulation which has existed between the students of the different Establishments assembled at Fort William.

" I have experienced sincere pleasure in witnessing the examples of merit, which have appeared among the students from Fort St. George and Bombay, as well as among those of this Establishment. Not only the students of this Establishment, but those of Fort St. George and Bombay, have furnished numerous instances of extensive knowledge and useful talents, of the most laudable industry, and of the purest principles of integrity and honour, acquired, formed, or confirmed, under this institution. I entertain a confident hope, that their future course in the public service will justify my present approbation, and will confirm the happy promises of their education. The conduct of the gentlemen now departing for Fort St. George and Bombay merits my most cordial commendation. They will communicate to their respective Presidencies the full benefit of those useful and honourable qualifications which must for ever render their names respectable in this Settlement, and must inspire this service with a peculiar interest in their future progress and success.

" It has been a principal object of my attention to consolidate the interests and resources of the three Presidencies; to promote in each of them, a common spirit of attachment to their mutual prosperity and honour; to assimilate their principles, views, and systems of government; and to unite the co-operation of their respective powers in the common cause, by such means

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means as might facilitate the administration of this extensive empire in the hands of the supreme government. May those gentlemen, now departing for the subordinate Presidencies, accompanied by the applause and affections of this society, remember, with reverence and attachment, the source whence they have derived the first principles of instruction in the duties of that service, which they are qualified to adorn!

" My most sincere acknowledgments are offered to the learned gentlemen who have assisted at the examinations, and who have discharged the duty of professors and teachers in the several departments.

" Their knowledge, talents, and skill, can be equalled only by the indefatigable zeal, industry, and happy success, with which they have promoted the object of this institution. The assiduity and learning of these gentlemen, have produced many able and useful works in oriental languages and literature which have been published since the commencement of the institution, and which have accelerated its beneficial effects. Continuations of these works are now in a state of considerable progress, and many additional works of a similar description are actually prepared for publication. The professors and teachers of the Persian, Arabic, Hindooftanee, Bengalee, Shanscrit, and Tamul languages, are now diligently employed in composing grammars and dictionaries, and in preparing translations and compilations for the use of the students in their respective departments. The operation of these useful labours will not be confined to the limits of this institution, or of this empire. Such works tend to promote the general diffusion of oriental literature and knowledge in every quarter of the globe, by facilitating the means of access to the elementary study of the principal languages of the East. The exertions of

the professors have received considerable aid from the numerous body of learned natives attached to the institution; and the labours of those learned persons have also contributed to increase the general stock of Oriental knowledge.

" Reviewing all these circumstances, and considering the industry and ability manifested by the professors and teachers; the successful advancement which has already been effected in the general extension of the most useful, practical, and necessary branches of oriental learning; the progressive improvement manifested by the students in every class of their prescribed studies; the frequent instances, attested by the public certificates, of laudable and exemplary attention to the discipline, statutes, and rules of the College; and the supply of highly qualified public officers, which the service has actually received from this institution, added to the number of those who proceed on this day to apply the attainments acquired in this College to the benefit of the Company and of the Nation; it is my duty to declare in the most public and solemn manner, that this institution has answered my most sanguine hopes and expectations; that its beneficial operation has justified the principles of its original foundation; and that the administration and discipline of the college have been conducted with honour and credit to the character and spirit of the institution, and with great advantage to the public service."

His Excellency then returned to his apartments attended by his suite.

In the evening, a grand dinner was given to the officers and students of the College by his Excellency at the Government-house; at which were present the honourable the Chief Justice, the Members of the Supreme Council, and all the principal civil and military officers at the Presidency.

PREMIUMS

PREMIUMS offered by the SOCIETY, instituted at London, for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, for the Year 1804.

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE chief objects of the SOCIETY are to promote the Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce of this kingdom, by giving rewards for all such useful Inventions, Discoveries, and Improvements, (though not mentioned in this book), as tend to that purpose ; and, in pursuance of this plan, the SOCIETY have already expended FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS, advanced by voluntary subscriptions of their members, and legacies bequeathed.

The manner in which this money has been distributed may be seen by applying to the Secretary or other officers of the SOCIETY, at their house in the *Adelphi*. The Register of the Premiums and Bounties they have given will show the very great advantages which the Public have derived from this Institution.

The meetings of the SOCIETY are held every Wednesday, at seven o'clock in the evening, from the fourth Wednesday in October to the first Wednesday in June. The several Committees meet on other evenings in the week during the session.

In order still farther to promote the laudable views of this SOCIETY, it may be necessary to explain the mode by which its members continue to be elected.

Each member has the privilege, at any weekly meeting of the SOCIETY, of proposing any person who is desirous to become a member, provided such proposal is signed by three members of the SOCIETY.

Peers of the Realm or Lords of Parliament are, on their being proposed, immediately ballotted for; and the name, with the addition and place of abode, of every other person proposing to become a member, is to be delivered to the Secretary, who is to read the same, and properly insert the name in a list, which is to be hung up in the SOCIETY's room until the next meeting : at which time such person shall be ballotted for; and, if two-thirds of the members, then voting, ballot in his favour, he shall be deemed a *perpetual member*, upon payment of Twenty Guineas at one payment; or, a *subscribing member*, upon payment of any sum not less than Two Guineas annually.

Every member is entitled to vote and be concerned in all the transactions of the SOCIETY, and to attend and vote at the several Committees. He has also the privilege of recommending two persons as Auditors, at the weekly meeting of the SOCIETY; and, by addressing a note to the Housekeeper, of introducing his friends to examine the various models, machines, and productions, in different branches of arts, manufactures, and commerce, for which rewards have been bestowed; and to inspect the magnificent series of moral and historical paintings, so happily contrived and completed by JAMES BARRY, Esq. which, with some valuable busts and statues, decorate the Great Room. He has likewise the use of a valuable Library; and is entitled to the annual Volume of the SOCIETY's Transactions.

The time appointed for admission to the paintings or models, is from ten to two o'clock, Sundays and Wednesdays excepted.

PREMIUMS IN AGRICULTURE.

Class 1. ACORNS.

FOR having set, between the first of October, 1802, and the first of April, 1803, the greatest quantity of land, not less than ten acres, with acorns, with or without seeds, cuttings, or plants of other trees, at the option of the candidate; and for effectually fencing and preserving the same, in order to raise timber; the gold medal.

2. For the second greatest quantity of land, not less than five acres, set agreeably to the above conditions, the silver medal.

Certificates of setting agreeably to the above conditions, and that there are not fewer than

three hundred young oaks on each acre, to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1804.

3. RAISING OAKS. To the person who shall have raised, since the year 1800, the greatest number of oaks, not fewer than five thousand, either from young plants or acorns, in order to secure a succession of oak timber in this kingdom; the gold medal.

4. For the next greatest number, not fewer than three thousand; the silver medal.

Certificates that there were on the land, at least the number of young oak-trees required, in a thriving condition, two years after the planting, with an account of the methods pursued in making and managing the plantation,

to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

5. ASCERTAINING THE BEST METHOD OF RAISING OAKS. To the person who shall ascertain in the best manner, by actual experiments, the comparative merits of the different modes of raising oaks for timber, either from acorns set on land properly dug or tilled, from acorns set by the spade or dibble, without digging or tillage, either on a smooth surface, or among bushes, fern, or other cover; or from young plants previously raised in nurseries, and transplanted; regard being had to the expense, growth, and other respective advantages of the several methods; the gold medal.

The accounts, and proper certificates that not less than one acre has been cultivated in each mode, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1804.

6. CHESNUTS. For having sown or set, between the first of October, 1802, and the first of April, 1803, the greatest quantity of dry loamy land, not less than six acres, with Spanish chesnuts, with or without seeds, cuttings, or plants of other trees, adapted to such soil, at the option of the candidate; and for effectually fencing and preserving the same, in order to raise timber; the gold medal.

7. For the second greatest quantity, not less than four acres, the silver medal.

Certificates of sowing or setting, agreeably to the above conditions, and that there are not fewer than three hundred chesnut plants, in a thriving state, on each acre, to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

8. ELM. For having planted the greatest number of the English elm, not less than eight thousand, between the twenty-fourth of June, 1802, and the twenty-fourth of June, 1803; and for having effectually fenced and preserved the same, in order to raise timber; the gold medal.

9. For the second greatest number, not less than five thousand, the silver medal.

Certificates of having planted, agreeably to the above conditions, that the plants were in a healthy and thriving state two years at least after making the plantation, and specifying the distance of the plants, to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in April, 1805.

10. LARCH. For having planted out, between the twenty-fourth of June 1801, and the twenty-fourth of Jane, 1802, the greatest number of larch-trees, not fewer than five thousand; and for having effectually fenced and preserved the same, in order to raise timber; the gold medal.

11. For the next greatest number, not fewer than three thousand, the silver medal.

Certificates of the number of plants, that

[June, they were in a healthy and thriving state two years at least after they were planted out, with a general account of the methods used in making the plantation, to be delivered to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in December, 1804.

12, 13. The same premiums are extended one year farther.

Certificates to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in December, 1805.

N. B. The larch-trees may be either planted mixed with other trees, or by themselves, as may best suit the convenience of the planter.

14. OSIERS. To the person who shall have planted, between the first of October, 1803, and the first of May, 1804, the greatest quantity of land, not less than five acres, with those kinds of willows, commonly known by the names of osier, Spaniard, new kind, or French, fit for the purpose of basket-makers, not fewer than twelve thousand plants on each acre; the gold medal, or thirty guineas.

15. For the second greatest quantity of land, not less than three acres, the silver medal, or ten guineas. Certificates of the planting, and that the plants were in a thriving state for months at least after the planting, to be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in November, 1804.

16. ALDER. For having planted, in the year 1801, the greatest number of alders, not less than three thousand; the gold medal.

Certificates of the number of plants, and that they were in a thriving state two years at least after being planted, to be delivered to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in December, 1804.

17. ASH. For having sown or set, in the year 1801, the greatest quantity of land, not less than six acres, with ash for timber, with or without seeds, cuttings, or plants, of such other trees as are adapted to the soil; the gold medal.

18. For the next greatest quantity, not less than four acres, the silver medal.

Certificates of the sowing or setting, agreeably to the above conditions, that there are not fewer than one hundred ash plants on each acre, in a thriving and healthy condition, two years at least after the sowing or setting, with a general account of the methods used in making the plantation; to be delivered to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in December, 1804.

19, 20. The same premiums are extended one year farther.

Certificates to be delivered on or before the last Tuesday in December, 1805.

N. B. It is the particular wish of the Society, that such lands only as are not calculated for growing corn, should be employed for the purposes specified in these advertisements.

21. FOREST-TREES. To the person who shall have inclosed and planted, or set, the greatest number of acres (not less than ten) of land, that is incapable of being ploughed, such as the borders of rivers, the sides of precipices, and any land that has too many rocks, or that is not calculated to repay the expense of tillage, owing to the stiffness or poverty of the soil, the surface being too hilly, mountainous, or otherwise unfit for tillage, with the best sorts of forest-trees, namely, oak, Spanish chestnuts, ash, elm, beech, alder, willow, larch, spruce and silver fir, with or without screens of Scotch fir, adapted to the soil, and intended for timber-trees, between the first of October, 1801, and the first of April, 1802; the gold medal.

22. For the second greatest quantity of land, not less than seven acres; the silver medal, or ten guineas.

23. For the third greatest quantity of land, not less than five acres, the silver medal. A particular account of the methods used in making and managing the plantations, the nature of the soil, the probable number of each sort of plants, together with proper certificates that they were in a healthy and thriving state two years at least after making the plantation, to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1804.

24, 25, 26. The same premiums are extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1805.

N.B. With the above forest-trees, the seeds, cuttings, or plants, of such other trees as are adapted to the soil, and proper for underwood, may or may not be intermixed.

N.B. The candidates for planting all kinds of trees are to produce certificates that the respective plantations are properly fenced and secured, and particularly to state the condition of the plants at the time of signing such certificates. Any information which the candidates for the foregoing premiums may choose to communicate, relative to the methods made use of in forming the plantations, or promoting the growth of the several trees, or any other observations that may have occurred on the subject, will be thankfully received.

27. SECURING PLANTATIONS OF TIMBERTREES, AND HEDGE-ROWS. To the person who shall give to the Society the most satisfactory account, founded on experience, of the most effectual and least expensive method of securing young plantations of timber-trees, and hedge-rows, from hares and rabbits, as well as sheep and larger cattle, which at the same time shall be least subject to the depredations of wood-stealers, the silver medal, or ten guineas.

The accounts, and certificates of the efficacy of the method, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1804.

28. The same premium is extended one year farther. The accounts and certificates to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1805.

29. COMPARATIVE TILLAGE. For the most satisfactory set of experiments, made on not less than eight acres of land, four of which to be trench-ploughed,* and four to be ploughed in the usual manner, in order to ascertain in what cases it may be advisable to shorten the operations of tillage, by adopting one trench-ploughing, for the purpose of burying the weeds, instead of the method, now in common use, of ploughing and harrowing the land three or four times, and raking the weeds together and burning them; the gold medal. It is required that every operation and expense attending each mode of culture be fully and accurately described, and that proper certificates of the nature and condition of the land on which the experiments are made, together with a circumstantial account of the appearance of the subsequent crops during their growth; and also of the quantity and weight of the corn and straw under each mode of culture, or, in case of a green crop, the weight of an average sixteen perches, be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

30. COMPARATIVE CULTURE OF WHEAT, BROAD-CAST, DRILLED, AND DIBBLED. For the best set of experiments, made on not less than twelve acres, four of which to be sown broad-cast, four drilled, and four dibbled, the two latter in equidistant rows, in order fully to ascertain which is the most advantageous mode of cultivating wheat; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. It is required that every operation and expense of each mode of culture be fully described; and that proper certificates of the nature and condition of the land on which the experiments are made, together with an account of the produce of the corn, the weight per bushel, and also of the straw, be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

31. SPRING WHEAT. To the person who, between the 10th of January and the 10th of April, 1804, shall cultivate the greatest quantity of wheat, not less than ten acres; the gold medal. It is required, that the time of sowing and reaping be noticed; also a particular account of the species, cultivation, and expense attending it, with proper certificates of the nature and condition of the land on which the experiments were made, and the name of the crop, if any, which the same land bore the preceding

* It is a common practice among gardeners, when they have a piece of very foul land, to dig it two spits, or about eighteen inches deep, shovelling the weeds to the bottom. This they call trenching.

year; together with an account of the produce, the weight per Winchester bushel; and a sample, not less than a quart, be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in February, 1805.

It is supposed that sowing wheat early in the spring will not only allow more time to till the land, but less for the growth of weeds; thus rendering the wheat as clean as a barley crop, and exhausting the soil much less than autumnal sowing. It may be seen in the 19th volume, that the wheat usually sown in autumn may be put into the ground, with great success, so late as February or March, thus giving time to clear the ground from turnips, or to avoid a bad season.

32. BEANS AND WHEAT. To the person who shall have dibbled or drilled, between the 1st of December, 1803, and the 1st of April, 1804, the greatest quantity of land, not less than ten acres, with beans, in equidistant rows, and hoed the intervals twice or oftener, and shall have sown the same land with wheat in the autumn of the year 1804; the gold medal. It is required that an account of the sort and quantity of beans, the time of dibbling or drilling, and of reaping or mowing them, the produce per acre thrashed, the expense of dibbling or drilling, hand or horse hoeing, the distance of the rows, and the quality of the soil, together with certificates of the number of acres, and that the land was afterwards actually sown with wheat, be produced on or before the second Tuesday in March, 1805.

33. BEANS. To the person who, in the year 1803, shall discover and cultivate, either by the drill or dibbling method, on not less than five acres, a species of horse-beans or tick-beans, that will ripen their seeds before the 21st of August; the silver medal, or ten guineas. It is required that a particular account of the bean, the cultivation, and the expense attending it, with proper certificates of the nature and condition of the land on which the experiments are made, together with an account of the produce, the weight per Winchester bushel, and a sample of not less than a quart, be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1804. It is apprehended that, if a bean should be brought into cultivation with the habits of the hotspur, or other early peas, that it would, in a great measure, escape the danger arising from the collier-insect, or other insects, and allow more time for the farmers to till the land for the subsequent crop of wheat. The accounts and certificates to be delivered on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1804.

34. The same premium is extended one year farther. The accounts and certificates to be delivered on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1805.

35. COMPARATIVE CULTURE OF TURNIPS. For the best set of experiments made on not less than eight acres of land, four of which to be sown

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broad-cast, and four drilled, to ascertain whether it is most advantageous to cultivate turnips by sowing them broadcast and hand-hoeding them, or by drilling them in equidistant rows, and hand or horse hoeing the intervals; the silver medal, or tea guineas. It is required, that every operation and expense of each mode of culture be fully described, and that proper certificates of the nature and condition of the land on which the experiments were made, together with the weight of the turnips grown, on a sixteenth of an acre, and the average sixteen perches of land, under each mode of culture, be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1805. The object which the Society have in view in offering this premium is experimentally to ascertain the most advantageous method of growing turnips. To do this in a satisfactory manner, both the drilled and broad-cast crops should have the advantage of the most perfect cultivation, consequently the drilled crops should have the intervals between the rows worked by the horse or hand hoe, or by both these implements, and the rows should be either weeded or hand-hoed, or both weeded and hand-hoed. The broadcast crop should have every advantage which weeding and hand-hoeing can give it, consistently with leaving the soil a flat surface.

36. The same premium is extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1806.

37. PARSNIPS. To the person who, in the year 1804, shall cultivate the greatest quantity of land, not less than five acres, with parsnips, for the sole purpose of feeding cattle or sheep; the gold medal. Certificates of the quantity of land so cultivated, with a particular account of the nature of the soil and weight of the produce on sixteen perches, and also of the condition of the cattle or sheep fed with the parsnips, and the advantages resulting from the practice, to be produced to the Society on or before the second day in February, 1805.

38. BUCK WHEAT. To the person who shall cultivate the greatest quantity of land with buck wheat, not less than thirty acres; the gold medal. It is required that the time of sowing and reaping be noticed; also a particular account of the species, cultivation, and expense attending it, the manner of reaping it, thrashing it, and housing the grain; with proper certificates of the nature and condition of the land on which the experiments were made, and the name of the crop, if any, which the same land bore the preceding year, together with an account of the produce, and a sample of the seed, not less than a quart, be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

39. For the next greatest quantity, not less than fifteen acres, on similar conditions; the silver medal. Information respecting its application to the feeding of cattle, hogs, and

ultry, and other of its uses, is also desired, is known to be particularly serviceable in musing honey to bees.

40. RAISING GRASS SEEDS. To the person who shall raise the greatest quantity of each any of the following named grass seeds, *viz.*, Meadow fox-tail (*alopecurus pratensis*), sweet-scented vernal grass (*anthoxanthum odoratum*), Timothy grass, meadow Fescue grass, smooth-stalked meadow grass (*poa pratensis*), rough-stalked meadow grass (*poa trivialis*); the silver medal, or ten guineas. It is required that certificates from persons who have viewed them in a proper state, to identify that they are one or other of the seeds above mentioned, indicating clearly the particular species, and noticing the quantity produced of such seeds, free from weeds or mixture of other grasses, together with proper samples of the seeds, be produced to the Society on or before the first day of February, 1805.

41. The same premium is extended one year farther. *Certificates* to be produced on or before the first day of February, 1806.

42. ROTATION OF CROPS. To the person who shall, between the 10th of August, 1801, and the 10th of September, 1803, cultivate the greatest quantity of land, not less than forty acres, in the following rotation, *viz.* 1st, winter ares; 2d, turnips; and 3d, wheat; and apply the two former crops in the best and most artizan-like manner, to the rearing, supporting, and fattening horses, cattle, sheep, or hogs, on the land which produced the crops; the gold medal, or one hundred guineas.

43. For the next in quantity and merit, on not less than thirty acres, the silver medal, or fifty guineas.

44. For the next in quantity and merit, on not less than twenty acres, the silver medal. It is required, that every operation and expense be fully described, and that satisfactory certificates of the nature and condition of the soil on which the crops have grown, together with an account of their appearance, the number of horses and cattle, sheep or hogs, fed by the two green crops, and, as near as possible, the improved value of the live stock by the consumption of those crops, and also the quantity of wheat per acre, and its weight per bushel, be produced to the Society on or before the first day of November, 1804.

It is presumed that very great advantages will arise to such agriculturists as shall adopt this rotation of crops on a dry soil. They will be enabled, with the addition of a few acres of turnip-rooted cabbage for spring-food, to keep such large flocks of sheep and herds of neat cattle as may secure a sufficient quantity of manure to fertilize their land in the highest degree, and in every situation. It is farther conceived, that wheats which will bear sowing

in the spring will be particularly suitable for this premium.

45, 46, 47. The same premiums are extended one year farther. *Certificates* to be delivered on or before the first day of November, 1805.

48. PRESERVING TURNIPS. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and cheapest method of preserving turnips perfectly sound, and in every respect fit for the purpose of supporting and fattening sheep and neat cattle, during the months of February, March, and April; the silver medal, or ten guineas. It is required that a full and accurate account of the method employed, and the expense attending the process, together with certificates that the produce of four acres at the least have been preserved according to the method described, and applied to the feeding of sheep and neat cattle; that the whole were drawn out of the ground before the first day of February, in order to clear the greater part of it previous to its being prepared for corn, and to save the soil from being exhausted by the turnips; and also of the weight of an average sixteen perchies of the crop; be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1804.

N.B. It is recommended to those who may be induced to try the necessary experiments for obtaining this and the following four premiums, to consider the method employed for the preservation of potatoes in ridges (which the growers call pies), and also the propriety of adopting a similar method in cases where they are previously frozen. It is supposed that, in the latter instance, the addition of ice or snow, and the construction of the ridges upon a large scale, may be sufficient to preserve the freezing temperature till the vegetables are wanted for the use of cattle or sheep, at which time they may be thawed by immersion in cold water, and the rot which a sudden thaw produces may be prevented.

49. For the next in quantity and merit, on not less than two acres, the silver medal.

50. PRESERVING CABBAGES. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and cheapest method of preserving drum-headed cabbages perfectly sound, and in every respect fit for the purpose of supporting and fattening sheep and neat cattle during the months of February, March, and April; the gold medal, or thirty guineas.

51. For the next in quantity and merit, on not less than two acres, the silver medal or fifteen guineas. Conditions the same as for preserving turnips, Cl. 48. And the accounts to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1805.

52. PRESERVING CARROTS, PARSNIPS, OR BEETS. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and cheapest method of

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preserving carrots, parsnips, or beets, perfectly sound, and in every respect fit for the purpose of supporting horses, and fattening sheep and neat cattle, during the months of February, March, and April; the silver medal, or fifteen guineas, Conditions the same as for preserving turnips, Cl. 48. And the *accounts* to be delivered in on or before the first day in November, 1805.

53. PRESERVING POTATOES. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and cheapest method of preserving potatoes, two or more years, perfectly sound, without vegetating, and in every other respect fit for the purpose of sets and the use of the table, and, consequently, of supporting and fattening cattle; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. It is required, that a full and accurate account of the method employed, and the expense attending the process, with certificates that one hundred bushels at the least have been preserved according to the method described, and that one or more bushels of the same potatoes have been set, and produced a crop without any apparent diminution of their vegetative power, and also that they have been used at table, with entire satisfaction to the person who ate of them, together with a sample of one bushel, be sent to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1805.

54. MAKING MEADOW-HAY IN WET WEATHER. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and cheapest method, superior to any hitherto practised, of making meadow-hay in wet weather; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. A full account of the method employed, and of the expense attending the process, with not less than fifty-six pounds of the hay; and certificates that at least the produce of six acres of land has been made according to the method described, and that the whole is of equal quality with the sample; to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

55. HARVESTING CORN IN WET WEATHER. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and cheapest method, superior to any hitherto practised, of harvesting corn in wet weather; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. A full account of the method employed, and of the expense attending the process, with not less than two sheaves of the corn, and certificates that at least the produce of ten acres has been harvested according to the method described, and that the whole is of equal quality with the samples, to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

56. ASCERTAINING THE COMPONENT PARTS OF ARABLE LAND. To the person who shall produce to the Society the most satisfactory set of experiments to ascertain the due proportion of the several component parts of rich arable land, in one or more counties in Great Britain,

by an accurate analysis of it; and who has made a like analysis of some poor arable land, shall, by comparing the component parts of each, and thereby ascertaining the deficiency of the poor soil, improve a quantity of it, not less than one acre, by the addition of such parts as the former experiments shall have discovered to be wanting therein, and therefore probably the cause of its sterility; the gold medal, or forty guineas. It is required, that the manurings, ploughings, and crops, of the improved land, be the same after the improvement as before; and that a minute account of the produce in each state, of the weather, and of the various influencing circumstances, together with the method made use of in analysing the soils, be produced, with proper certificates of the chemical results of the analysis, which are to remain the property of the Society, on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805.

It is expected that a quantity, not less than six pounds, of the rich, of the poor, and of the improved soils, be produced with the certificates.

57. GAINING LAND FROM THE SEA. To the person who shall produce to the Society an account, verified by actual experiment, of his having gained the greatest quantity of land from the sea, not less than fifty acres, on the coast of Great Britain or Ireland; the gold medal. Certificates of the quantity of land, and that the experiments were begun after the 1st of January, 1798, to be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in October, 1804.

58. The same premium is extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in October, 1805.

59. The same premium is extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in October, 1806.

60. IMPROVING LAND LYING WASTE. For the most satisfactory account of the best method of improving any of the following soils being land lying waste or uncultivated, viz. clay, gravel, sand, chalk, peat-earth and bog, verified by experiments on not less than fifty acres of land; the gold medal, or thirty guineas.

61. For the next greatest quantity, not less than thirty acres, the silver medal, or twenty guineas. It is required, that the land before such improvement be absolutely uncultivated, and in a great measure useless, and that, in its improved state, it be enclosed, cultivated, and divided into closes. Certificates of the number of acres, of the quality of the land so improved, with a full account of every operation and expense attending such improvement, the state it is in as to the proportion of grass to arable, and the average value thereof, to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

62. MANURES. For the most satisfactory set of experiments, to ascertain the comparative

antages of the following manures, used as dressings on grass or corn land, viz. soot, ashes, wood-ashes, lime, gypsum, night-ashes, or any other fit article; the gold medal, the silver medal and ten guineas. It is required that the above experiments be made upon two or more of the above-mentioned acres, and that not less than two acres of land be dressed with each manure. An account of the nature of the soil, quantity and expense of the manure and crops, with certificates, to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805.

63. The same premium is extended one year farther. The accounts and certificates to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1806.

64. RAISING WATER FOR THE IRRIGATION OF LAND. To the person who shall discover to the Society the cheapest and most effectual method of raising water in quantities sufficient to be beneficially employed for the purpose of irrigating land, superior to and cheaper than any other method now in use; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. A model on a scale of one inch to a foot, with certificates that a machine of large size, on the same construction, has been tried, specifying the quantity of water delivered per gallon per hour, and the height to which it is raised, to be produced to the Society on or before the first of March, 1805.

65. The same premium is extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the first of March, 1806.

66. PARING PLOUGH. To the person who shall invent and produce to the Society, a machine or plough for the purpose of paring land preparatory to burning, superior to any hitherto known, or in use for such purpose, and to be worked by not more than one man and two horses; the silver medal, or twenty guineas. The machine, and certificates that at least three acres have been pared by it in a proper manner, to be produced to the Society on or before the first of January, 1805.

67. MACHINE FOR DIBBLING WHEAT. To the person who shall invent a machine, superior to any hitherto known or in use, to answer the purpose of dibbling wheat, by which the holes for receiving the grain may be made at equal distances and proper depths; the silver medal and ten guineas. The machine, with certificates that at least three acres have been dibbled by it, to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805. Simplicity and cheapness in the construction will be considered as principal parts of its merit.

68. MACHINE FOR REAPING OR MOWING CORN. For inventing a machine to answer the purpose of mowing or reaping wheat, rye, barley, oats, or beans, by which it may be done more expeditiously and cheaper than by any

method now practised, provided it does not shed the corn or pulse more than the methods in common practice, and that it lays the straw in such a manner that it may be easily gathered up for binding; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The machine, with certificates that at least three acres have been cut by it, to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in December, 1804. Simplicity and cheapness in the construction will be considered as principal parts of its merit.

69. THRASHING MACHINE. To the person who shall invent a machine by which corn of all sorts may be thrashed more expeditiously, effectually, and at a less expense, than by any method now in use; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The machine, or a model, with proper certificates that such a machine has been usefully applied, that at least thirty quarters have been thrashed by it, and of the time employed in the operation, to be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805.

70. DESTROYING THE GRUB OF THE COCK-CHAFER. To the person who shall discover to the Society an effectual method, verified by repeated and satisfactory trials, of destroying the grub of the cockchafer, or of preventing or checking the destructive effects which always attend corn, peas, beans, and turnips, when attacked by those insects; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The accounts, with proper certificates, to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

71. DESTROYING WORMS. To the person who shall discover to the Society an effectual method, verified by repeated and satisfactory trials, of destroying worms, or of preventing the destructive effects they occasion on corn, beans, peas, or other pulse; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The accounts, with proper certificates, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

72. DESTROYING THE FLY ON HOPS. To the person who shall discover to the Society an easy and efficacious method of destroying the fly on hops, superior to any hitherto known or practised, on not less than four acres of hop-ground; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. Accounts and certificates to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

73. PREVENTING THE BLIGHT, OR RAVAGES OF INSECTS, ON FRUIT-TREES AND CULINARY PLANTS. To the person who shall discover to the Society the most effectual method of preventing the blight, or ravages of insects on fruit-trees and culinary plants, superior to any hitherto known or practised, and verified by actual and comparative experiments; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The accounts, with proper certificates, to be delivered to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in November, 1804.

74. The same premium is extended one year farther. The *accounts* and *certificates* to be delivered on or before the second Tuesday in November, 1805.

75. REMOVING THE ILL EFFECTS OF BLIGHTS, OR INSECTS. To the person who shall discover to the Society the most effectual method of removing the ill effects of blights, or insects, on fruit-trees and culinary plants, superior to any hitherto known or practised, and verified by actual and comparative experiments; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The *accounts* and *certificates* to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

76. CARE OF THE ROT IN SHEEP. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and most effectual method of curing the rot in sheep, verified by repeated and satisfactory experiments; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. It is expected that the candidates furnish accurate *accounts* of the symptoms and cure of the disease, together with the imputed cause thereof, and the actual or probable means of prevention, which, with proper *certificates*, must be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

77. CURE OF THE FOOT-ROT IN SHEEP. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and most effectual method of curing the foot-rot in sheep; the silver medal, or ten guineas. It is required, that the cure be ascertained by repeated and satisfactory experiments, and the method of performing it be verified by proper *certificates* delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

78. PREVENTING THE ILL EFFECTS OF FLIES ON SHEEP. To the person who shall discover to the Society the most effectual method of protecting sheep from being disturbed and injured by flies; the silver medal, or ten guineas. It is required, that the method be ascertained by repeated experiments, and that a *certificate* of its efficacy be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1804.

79. PROTECTING SHEEP. To the person who, in the year 1803, shall protect the greatest number of sheep, not fewer than one hundred, by hovels, sheds, or any other means, and give the most satisfactory account, verified by experiment, of the advantages arising from the practice of protecting sheep from the inclemency of the weather, by hovels, sheds, or any other means; the silver medal, or twenty guineas. A particular *account* of the experiments made, with the advantages arising therefrom, together with the expense, and *certificates* of its utility, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1805.

80. The same premium is extended one

[June] year farther. The *accounts* and *certificates* to be delivered on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1806.

N.B. It is required that the *certificates* specify the length of time the sheep were protected, and the manner in which they were maintained during that time; together with the general method of managing them.

81. IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF THE LABOURING POOR, BY ERECTING COTTAGES, AND APPORTIONING LAND. To the person who, in the year 1803, shall erect the greatest number of cottages for the accommodation of the labouring poor, and apportion not less than two acres of land to each cottage; the gold medal. The *accounts* and *certificates* to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

82. The same premium is extended one year farther. The *accounts* and *certificates* to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1806.

83. IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF THE LABOURING POOR BY APPORTIONING LAND TO COTTAGES. To the person who, in the year 1803, shall apportion to the greatest number of cottages already built upon his her estate, any quantity of land, not less than two acres to each cottage, for the better accommodation of the respective inhabitants; the gold medal. The *accounts* of the number of cottages, and of the quantity of land apportioned to each, to be delivered to the Society, with proper *certificates*, on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

84. The same premium is extended one year farther. The *accounts* and *certificates* to be delivered on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1806.

85. CULTURE OF HEMP IN CERTAIN PARTS OF SCOTLAND. The Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, wishing to encourage the growth of hemp for the use of the navy in certain parts of Scotland, comprehending the whole county of Argyle, that part of Perthshire situated to the north of the river Tay, and west of the Military Road (see Ainslie's Map of Scotland) leading from Logierait to the county of Inverness, and such other parts of Scotland as lie north of Inverness-shire, offers to the person who shall sow with hemp, in drills at least eighteen inches asunder, the greatest quantity of land in the above-mentioned district, not less than fifty acres statute measure, in the year 1804, and shall at the proper season cause to be plucked the summer hemp (or male hemp bearing no seed), and continue the winter hemp (or female hemp bearing seed) on the ground until the seed is ripe, the gold medal, or fifty guineas.

86. To the person who shall sow with hemp, in drills at least eighteen inches asunder, the

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ext greatest quantity of land in the same fore-mentioned district, not less than twenty-four acres, statute measure, in the year 1804, and shall at the proper season cause the same to be plucked as above mentioned; the silver medal, or twenty-five guineas. *Certificates* of the number of acres, of the distance of the hills, of the plucking of the hemp, with a general account of the soil, cultivation, and produce, to be delivered to the Society, along with thirteen pounds of the hemp, and two quarts of the seed, on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

REMIUMS FOR DISCOVERIES AND IMPROVEMENTS IN CHEMISTRY, DYING, AND MINERALOGY.

87. PRESERVING SEEDS OF VEGETABLES. For the best methods of preserving the seeds of plants in a state fit for vegetation a longer time than has hitherto been practised, such method being superior to any known to the public, and verified by sufficient trial, to be communicated to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1804; the gold medal, or thirty guineas.

88. PREVENTING THE DRY-ROT IN TIMBER. To the person who shall discover to the Society the cause of the dry-rot in timber, and disclose a certain method of prevention superior to any hitherto known; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The accounts of the cause, and method of prevention, confirmed by repeated experiments, to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in December, 1804.

89. PRESERVING SALTED PROVISIONS FROM BECOMING RANCID OR RUSTY. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best, cheapest, and most efficacious method of preserving salted provisions from growing rancid or rusty; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. A full description of the method, with proper certificates that it has been found, on repeated trials, to answer the purpose intended, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

90. CLEARING FEATHERS FROM THEIR ANIMAL OIL. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best and most expeditious method, superior to any hitherto practised, of clearing goose-feathers from their offensive animal oil, for the use of upholsters, in making beds, cushions, &c. the silver medal, or twenty guineas. A quantity of such feathers unstripped and so cleared, not less than forty pounds weight, with a full account of the process, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

91. REFINING WHALE OR SEAL OIL. For disclosing to the Society an effectual method of purifying whale or seal oil from the glu-

tinous matter that incrusts the wicks of lamps and extinguishes the light, though fully supplied with oil; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. It is required, that the whole of the process be fully and fairly disclosed, in order that satisfactory experiments may be made by the Society to determine the validity of the claim; and certificates that not less than twenty gallons have been purified according to the process delivered in, together with two gallons of the oil, in its unpurified state, and two gallons so refined, to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in February, 1805.

92. MANUFACTURING TALLOW CANDLES. To the person who shall discover to the Society a method of hardening or otherwise preparing tallow, so that candles may be made of it which will burn as clear and with as small a wick as wax candles, without running, and may be afforded at a less expense than any at present made with spermaceti; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. Certificates that 112lb. of such tallow have been made into candles, and 12lb. of the candles made thereof, to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

93. CANDLES FROM RESIN OR OTHER SUBSTANCES. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best method of making candles of resin, or any other substance, fit for common use, at a price much inferior to those made of tallow only; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. Six pounds at least of the candles so prepared, with an account of the process, to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1804.

94. METHOD OF SEPARATING SUGAR IN A SOLID FORM FROM TREACLE. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best method of separating sugar from treacle, in a solid form, at such an expense as will render it advantageous to the public; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. A quantity of the sugar so prepared, in a solid form, not less than thirty pounds weight, with an account of the process, and certificates that not less than one hundred weight has been prepared, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

95. PROOF-SPIRIT. To the distiller who, in the year 1804, shall make the greatest quantity, not less than one hundred gallons, of a clean marketable spirit, from articles not the food of man or cattle, equal in strength or quality to the proof-spirit now in use, and at a rate not higher than the spirit produced from corn or molasses; the gold medal, or one hundred guineas. Ten gallons of the spirit, together with proper certificates, and a full account of the expense and mode of making it, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

96. INCREASING STEAM. To the person

Who shall invent and discover to the Society a method, verified by actual experiments, of increasing the quantity or force of steam, in steam-engines, with less fuel than has hitherto been employed, provided that in general the whole amount of the expenses in using steam-engines may be considerably lessened; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. To be communicated to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

97. SUBSTITUTE FOR TAR. To the person who shall invent and discover to the Society the best substitute for Stockholm tar, equal in all its properties to the best of that kind, and prepared from materials the produce of Great-Britain; the gold medal, or one hundred guineas. A quantity of the substitute, not less than one hundred weight, with certificates that at least one ton has been manufactured, and that it can be afforded at a price not exceeding that of the best foreign tar, together with an account of the process, to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1805.

98. PREPARATION OF TAN. To the person who shall prepare in the most concentrated form, so as to be easily portable, and at a price applicable to the purposes of manufacture, the largest quantity, not less than one hundred weight, of the principle called by the French *tannin*, which abounds in oak-bark and many other vegetable substances; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. Certificates of the superior quality of the quantity so prepared, and a sample of not less than 28lb. to be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in January, 1805.

99. INDELIBLE INK. To the person who shall discover to the Society, a method of making a black ink proper for writing, superior to any at present known, indestructible by chemical applications, and not dearer than that which is now in common use; the silver medal or fifteen guineas. Certificates that not less than two gallons of such ink have been actually prepared and found to possess the qualities above mentioned, with a full detail of the process of making it, and two quarts of the ink, to be delivered to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

100. PREPARATION OF A RED STAIN FOR COTTON CLOTH. To the person who shall communicate to the Society, the cheapest and most effectual method of printing or staining cotton cloths with a red colour, by an immediate application of the colouring-matter to the cloth, equally beautiful and durable with the red colours now generally procured from decoctions of madder; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. Certificates that the above process has been advantageously used on ten pieces of calico, each twenty-one yards or upwards in length, one piece of the calico so printed, a

quart of the colour in a liquid state, and full account of the preparation and application, to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

101. PREPARATION OF A GREEN COLOUR FOR PRINTING COTTON CLOTH. To the person who shall communicate to the Society the best and cheapest method of printing with a full green colour on cotton cloth, by an immediate application of the colouring matter from a wooden block to the cloth, equally beautiful and durable as the colours now formed from the complicated process of the decoction of weld on alumine and the solutions of indigo by earths or alkaline salts; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. Certificates and conditions as for premium 100.

102. SUBSTITUTE FOR THE BASIS OF PAINT. To the person who shall produce to the Society the best substitute, superior to any hitherto known, for the basis of paint, equally proper for the purpose as the white lead now employed; such substitute not to be of a noxious quality, and to be afforded at a price not materially higher than that of white lead; the gold medal, or one hundred guineas. A quantity of the substitute, not less than 50lb. weight, with an account of the process used in preparing it, and certificates that at least one hundred weight has been manufactured, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

103. RED PIGMENT. To the person who shall discover to the Society a full and satisfactory process for preparing a red pigment, fit for use, in oil and water, equal in tone and brilliancy to the best carmines and lakes now known or in use, and perfectly durable; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. One pound weight of such colour, and a full disclosure of its preparation, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in Feb. 1805.

N. B. It is not required that the colour should resist the action of fire or chemical applications, but remain unaltered by the common exposure to strong light, damps, and noxious vapours.

104. ULTRAMARINE. To the person who shall prepare an artificial ultramarine, equal in colour, brilliancy, or durability, to the best prepared from lapis lazuli, and which may be afforded at a cheap rate; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The conditions are the same as in the preceding premium for the red pigment.

105. ANALYSIS OF BRITISH MINERALS. To the person who shall communicate to the Society, the most correct analysis of any mineral production of Great-Britain, hitherto either unexamined, or not examined with accuracy; the gold medal. The analysis and sufficient specimens to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in Jan. 1805.

106. STATUARY MARBLE. To the person

who shall discover, within Great-Britain or Ireland, a quarry of white marble fit for the purposes of statuary, and equal in all respects to those kinds now imported from Italy; the gold medal, or one hundred pounds. A block of at least three feet in length, two in eight, and two in width, with an account of the situation of the quarry, and certificates of its possessing considerable extent, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

N. B. In order to prevent useless expense or trouble to the claimant in forwarding so large a block, the Society will be ready to examine any smaller specimen of the marble, and express their opinion of its value to the candidate before the block required by the above premium is produced.

107. PREPARATION OF SULPHURIC ACID FROM SULPHUR WITHOUT THE USE OF ANY NITRIC SALT. To the person who shall prepare the largest quantity (not less than one ton) of sulphuric acid from sulphur, without any nitric salt, of a specific gravity, not inferior to the best sulphuric acid of commerce; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. Certificates that not less than the above quantity of such an acid has been prepared, together with a sample, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

108. PREPARATION OF ANY ALKALINE OR EARTHY NITRATE. To the person who shall prepare, in Great-Britain, the largest quantity, not less than one hundred weight, of any salt of nitric acid, with either earths or alkalies, by a method superior to and as cheap as those hitherto practised; the gold medal, or one hundred guineas. Certificates of the above quantity having been prepared, and a sample of not less than 23lb. to be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in January, 1805.

109. FINE BAR-IRON. To the person, in Great-Britain, who shall make the greatest quantity of bar-iron, not less than ten tons, with coak, from coak-pigs, equal in quality to the best iron imported from Sweden or Russia, and as fit for converting into steel; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. Samples, not less than one hundred weight, with certificates that the whole quantity is of equal quality, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

110. PRESERVING IRON FROM RUST. To the person who shall invent and discover to the Society a cheap composition, superior to any now in use, which shall effectually preserve wrought iron from rust, the gold medal, or fifty guineas. A full description of the method of preparing the composition, with certificates that it has stood at least two years unimpaired, being exposed to the atmosphere during the whole time, to be produced to the Society,

with ten pounds weight of the composition, on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

111. REFINING BLOCK-TIN. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best method of purifying or refining block-tin, so as to render it fit for the finest purposes to which grain-tin is now applied, and not higher in price; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. Certificates that not less than three tons have been so refined or purified, with a full detail of the process, and a quantity, not less than one hundred weight, of the tin so refined, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

112. GLAZING EARTHEN-WARE WITHOUT LEAD. To the person who shall discover to the Society the cheapest, safest, most durable, and most easily fusible, composition, fit for the purpose of glazing the ordinary kinds of earthen-ware, without any preparation of lead, and superior to any hitherto in use; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. Specimens of the ware so glazed, with proper certificates of its having succeeded, and a sample of the materials made use of, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in Feb. 1805.

113. REFINING COPPER FROM THE ORE. To the person who shall discover to the Society the best method of separating, purifying, and refining copper from the ore, so as to render it fit for the finest purposes to which fine copper is now applied, and by a process superior to any hitherto known or in use, and not higher in price; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. Certificates that not less than three tons have been so prepared or refined, and a quantity not less than one hundred weight of the copper so refined, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in Feb. 1805.

114. MINERALOGICAL MAP OF ENGLAND AND WALES. To the person who shall complete and publish an accurate mineralogical map of England and Wales, on a scale of not less than ten miles to an inch, containing an account of the situation of the different mines therein, and describing the kinds of minerals thence produced; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. Certificates of the accuracy of such map, together with the map, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805. The map to remain the property of the Society.

115. MINERALOGICAL MAP OF IRELAND. The same premium is offered for a mineralogical map of Ireland, on similar conditions.

116. MINERALOGICAL MAP OF SCOTLAND. The same premium is offered for a mineralogical map of Scotland, on similar conditions.

117. NATURAL HISTORY. To the author who shall publish, in the year 1804, the natural history of any county in England or Wales; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. It is required that the several natural productions,

whether animal, or vegetable, or mineral, peculiar to the county, or found therein, be carefully and specifically arranged and described, in order that the public may be enabled to judge what arts or manufactures are most likely to succeed in such county. The work to be delivered to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in January, 1805.

PREMIUMS IN POLITE ARTS.

113. HONORARY PREMIUMS FOR DRAWING, BY NOBILITY. For the best original drawing, of any kind, by young gentlemen under the age of twenty-one, sons or grandsons of peers, or peeresses in their own right, of Great-Britain or Ireland, to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1805; the honorary medal of the Society in gold.

119. The same in silver for the best copy.

120, 121. The same premiums will be given, on the like conditions, to young ladies, daughters or grand-daughters of peers, or peeresses in their own right, of Great-Britain or Ireland.

122. HONORARY PREMIUMS FOR DRAWING, BY GENTLEMEN. For the best original drawing, of any kind, by young gentlemen under the age of twenty-one; to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1805; the gold medal.

123. For the best copy, the silver medal.

124, 125. The same premiums will be given for drawings by young ladies.

N. B. As the foregoing honorary premiums are intended only for such of the nobility and gentry as may hereafter become patrons or patronesses of the arts; persons professing any branch of the polite arts, or any business dependent on the arts of design, or the sons or daughters of such persons, will not be admitted candidates in these classes.

126. DRAWINGS OF OUTLINES. For the best outline, after a cast, in plaster, of the *Venus de Medicis*, by persons of either sex, under the age of sixteen, the figure not less than eighteen inches; to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805; the greater silver pallet.

127. For the next in merit; the lesser silver pallet.

128. DRAWINGS OF LANDSCAPES. For the best drawing in water-colours of a landscape after nature, not less than eighteen inches by twelve, by persons of either sex, under twenty-one years of age, to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805; the gold pallet.

129. For the next in merit, the greater silver pallet. Each candidate must mention, on the front of the drawing, whence the view was taken.

130. HISTORICAL DRAWINGS. For the best historical drawing, being an original comp-

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position, of five or more human figures; the height of the principal figure not less than eight inches; to be produced on or before the third Tuesday in Feb. 1805; the gold pallet.

131. For the next in merit; the greater silver pallet.

132. DRAWING AND ENGRAVING. To the person who shall complete the best original drawing and engraving. The design and engraving to be executed by the same artist, and produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805; the gold medal. It is required that the drawing and two impressions of the engraving be produced, and remain the property of the Society.

133. LINE ENGRAVINGS OF LANDSCAPES. For the best line engraving of a landscape published in the year 1804, the size of the engraving not less than eighteen inches by fourteen; the gold medal. To be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in January, 1805; and the impression to which the premium is adjudged to remain the property of the Society.

134. For the next in merit; the silver medal, on similar conditions.

135. LINE ENGRAVINGS OF HISTORICAL SUBJECTS. For the best line engraving published in the year 1804, of an historical subject, the size of the engraving not less than eighteen inches by fourteen; the gold medal.

136. For the next in merit; the silver medal. Conditions, &c. the same as in classes 133 and 134.

137, 138, 139, 140. The same premiums are extended one year farther.

N. B. It is not necessary in the classes of line engravings, for the artist's name to be concealed. The first aquafortis proof of the above plates are required to be sent in with the finished impression, and certificates that the etchings are the entire work of the candidate. The aquafortis proof also to remain the property of the Society.

141. MODEL IN CLAY OR PLASTER. For the best model in clay or plaster of an ornamental design for the purpose of embellishing works of architecture; the silver medal or twenty guineas. To be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in January, 1805. The model not to be less than thirty inches by twelve.

142. PERSPECTIVE DRAWINGS OF MACHINES. For the best perspective drawing of machines by persons under twenty-one years of age; the greater silver pallet. To be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in January, 1805.

143. For the next in merit; the lesser silver pallet, on similar conditions.

144. ENGRAVING ON WOOD, OR METAL BLOCKS, &c. For the best engraving on wood or metal blocks, or any other material,

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that the same be rendered capable of communication with the letter-press, of any allegorical or other subject suited to the embellishment of letter-press, the gold medal.

45. For the next in merit, the greater silver medal. Two or more impressions along the block to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805, impressions, but not the block, to remain property of the Society.

46. BRONZES. For the best drapery figure or group cast in bronze; if a single figure, less than twelve inches high; and, if a group, not less than nine inches; and which require the least additional labour to render; the gold medal, or the silver medal and twenty guineas. The cast to be exhibited to the Society before it is begun to be repaired, in the original figure or group, on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805, together with a full explanation of the whole process.

47. ORNAMENTAL DRAWINGS FOR ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNS. For the best ornamental drawing for the purpose of embellishing architectural designs; a silver medal with the following engraved inscription: *The Premium given by the Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, in conformity to the Will of John Stock, Hampstead, Esq.* The drawing to which the premium is adjudged to remain the property of the Society; and to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in February, 1805.

PREMIUMS FOR ENCOURAGING AND IMPROVING MANUFACTURES.

48. MACHINE FOR CARDING SILK. For the best machine, superior to any now in use, for carding waste silk equally well as by hand; to be produced, together with a specimen of the cardings, on or before the first Tuesday in November, 1804; the silver medal, or twenty guineas.

49. CLOTH FROM HOP-STALKS, &c. To the person who shall produce to the Society the greatest quantity, not less than thirty yards of cloth at least twenty-seven inches wide, made in Great-Britain, of hop-stalks or bines, or other raw vegetable substances, the produce of Great-Britain or Ireland, superior to any hitherto manufactured from such substances, and which can be generally afforded as cheap as cloth of equal quality and appearance now made from hemp, flax, or cotton, and much finer in quality than any hitherto manufactured in England from hop-stalks, &c. the gold medal, or thirty guineas. One pound of the thread of which the cloth is made, and thirty yards of the cloth, together with proper certificates that the whole is manufactured from hop-stalks or bines, &c. to be produced to the

Society on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1804.

N.B. The Society is already in the possession of cloth made in England from hop-stalks or bines, which may be inspected by application to the Housekeeper.

50. WICKS FOR CANDLES OR LAMPS. To the person who shall discover to the Society a method of manufacturing hop-stalks or bines, or any other cheap material, the growth of Great-Britain, so as to render them equally fit for the purpose of supplying the place of cotton, for wicks of candles or lamps; twenty guineas. Samples, not less than five pounds weight, of the wick so prepared, to be produced to the Society, with certificates that the whole quantity is equal in quality to the sample, on or before the second Tuesday in Jan. 1805.

51. PAPER FROM RAW VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES. To the person, in Great-Britain, who shall, between the first of January, 1804, and the first of January, 1805, make the greatest quantity, and of the best quality (not less than ten reams), of good and useful paper, from raw vegetable substances, the produce of Great-Britain or Ireland, of which one hundred weight has not been used in manufacturing paper previous to January, 1803, superior to any hitherto manufactured from such substances, and which can be generally afforded as cheap as paper of equal quality and appearance now made from rags; twenty guineas.

N.B. The object of the Society being to add to the number and quantity of raw materials used in this manufacture, it is their wish to include every useful sort of paper, and to introduce such natural products as can be easily and cheaply procured in great quantities. The Society are in possession of two volumes containing a great variety of specimens of paper made from raw vegetable substances, viz.—nettles, potatoe-haum, poplar, hop-bines, &c. which volumes may be inspected by any person on application to the Housekeeper. Certificates of the making such paper, and one ream of the paper, to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in January, 1805.

52. TRANSPARENT PAPER. To the person who shall discover to the Society a method of making paper from the pulp that shall be perfectly transparent, and of a substance and body equal to foolscap, that shall take and bear common writing ink with the same facility and correctness as writing-paper generally in use; the silver medal, or twenty guineas. Certificates of the making such paper, an account of the process, and one ream of the paper, to be produced on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

53. CHINTS PATTERNS FOR CALICO-PRINTERS. For the best original pattern in a new taste, of light or dark-ground chints for garment-work, fit for the purposes of calico-

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printers, by persons of either sex; the gold medal. To be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805; the pattern to which the premium is adjudged to remain the property of the Society.

154. For the next in merit; the silver medal, on similar conditions.

155. COPPER-PLATE PATTERNS FOR CALICO-PRINTERS. For the best pattern, in a new style, fit for the purposes of calico-printers for garment-work; the silver medal. To be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805. The pattern to which the premium is adjudged to remain the property of the Society.

PREMIUMS IN MECHANICS.

156. GUNPOWDER-MILLS. To the person who, in the year 1804, shall invent and bring to perfection the most effectual method of so conducting the works of gunpowder-mills, in the business of making gunpowder, as to prevent explosion; the gold medal, or one hundred guineas. Certificates and accounts of the method having been put in practice in one or more gunpowder-mills in this kingdom, and that it promises, in the opinion of the best judges concerned in such works, to answer the purpose intended, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in Feb. 1805.

N.B. As an encouragement to persons to turn their thoughts to improvements of this nature, if any should be made on the present method of conducting the business of gunpowder making, which fall short of the total prevention of explosion, and they are sent to the Society for the sake of humanity, the papers so sent in will receive due consideration, and such bounty or reward will be bestowed thereon as they appear to merit.

157. TRANSIT-INSTRUMENT. To the person who shall invent and produce to the Society a cheap and portable transit-instrument, which may easily be converted into a zenith-sector, capable of being accurately and expeditiously adjusted, for the purpose of finding the latitudes and longitudes of places, and superior to any portable transit-instrument now in use; the gold medal, or forty guineas. To be produced on or before the last Tuesday in Jan. 1805.

158. TAKING WHALES BY THE GUN-HARPOON. To the person who, in the year 1804, shall strike the greatest number of whales, not fewer than three, with the gun-harpoon; ten guineas. Proper certificates of the striking such whales, and that they were actually taken in the year 1804, signed by the master, or by the mate when the claim is made by the master, to be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in December, 1804.

159. FAMILY MILL. To the person who shall invent and produce to the Society the best-

constructed mill for grinding corn for the use of private families, or parish-poor; the construction to be such as to render the working of the mill easy and expeditious, and superior to any hitherto in use; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The mill, and certificates of its having been used to good effect, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in Feb. 1805. Cheapness and simplicity will be considered as essential parts of its merit; and the mill, or the model, to remain with the Society.

160. MACHINE FOR RAISING COALS, ORE, &c. &c. To the person who shall invent a machine for raising coals, ore, &c. from mines, superior to any hitherto known or in use, and which shall produce the effect at a less expense than those already known or in use; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. A model of the machine, made on a scale of not less than one inch to a foot, with a certificate that a machine at large on the same construction has been advantageously used, to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in Feb. 1805.

161. IMPROVED WALKING-WHEEL OR CRANE. To the person who shall invent an improved walking-wheel or crane, on which the weight and power of any person or persons shall be applied with the greatest safety and effect, and so contrived that the power can be varied according to the greater or lesser weight to be raised or lowered; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The model, on a scale of not less than one inch to a foot, with a proper certificate that the machine at large has been employed to good effect, to be produced to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in February, 1805.

162. MACHINE FOR RAISING WATER. To the person who shall invent a machine on a better, cheaper, and more simple construction than any hitherto known or in use, for raising water out of wells, &c. from a depth of not less than fifty feet; the gold medal, or forty guineas. Certificates of the performance of the machine, and a model of it, on a scale of not less than one inch to a foot, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

163. ELM PIPES. To the person who shall invent and discover to the Society a substitute for the elm pipes now in common use for the conveyance of water, which shall be cheaper, equally effectual, and more durable than any heretofore employed; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. It is required that one of the pipes so employed, an accurate account of the method used, and every expense attending it, together with satisfactory accounts of its being effectual, be delivered to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

164. EXTINGUISHING FIRES. To the person who shall produce to the Society the best and most effectual method of procuring an imme-

date supply of water in case of fire, or for the means best calculated to prevent or extinguish accidental fires in buildings, superior to any now in use; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. *Certificates* of the method having been practised with success, with a full description thereof, to be delivered to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in Jan. 1805.

165. BORING AND BLASTING ROCKS. To the person who shall discover to the Society a more simple, cheap, and expeditious method than any hitherto known or in use of boring and blasting rocks in mines, shafts, wells, &c.; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. *Certificates* of the method having been practised with success, with a full description thereof, to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

166. HEATING ROOMS FOR THE PURPOSES OF MANUFACTURERS. To the person who shall invent and discover to the Society a method of heating rooms, superior to any hitherto known or in use, and at a moderate expense, for the purposes of painters, japanners, and other manufacturers, so as to avoid the necessity of iron or copper tunnels going through the rooms to convey the smoke, whereby the danger from such tunnels may be prevented; the gold medal, or forty guineas. A model, or complete drawing and description of the method, with *certificates* that it has been successfully practised, to be delivered to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in March, 1805.

167. IMPROVED VENTILATION. To the person who shall invent and produce to the Society a mode of permanently ventilating the apartments in hospitals, workhouses, and other crowded places, superior to any now known or used; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. A model of the apparatus, and a full account of the means by which the effect has been produced, with proper *certificates*, to be delivered to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805.

168. PREVENTING ACCIDENTS FROM HORSES FALLING--WITH--TWO-WHEELED CARRIAGES. To the person who shall invent and produce to the Society a method superior to any hitherto known or in use, to prevent accidents from the falling of horses with two-wheeled carriages, especially on steep declivities; the silver medal, or fifteen guineas. A model of the apparatus, and a full account of the means by which the effect has been produced, with proper *certificates* that the same has been used with success, to be delivered to the Society on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

169. IMPROVING TURNPIKE AND OTHER ROADS. To the person who shall discover to the Society the most effectual and cheapest method, verified by actual experiments, of

combining the materials ordinarily employed in making or repairing roads, so as to form them of the hardest consistence by their cementing properties, or by an artificial mixture of earth, stones, &c. altered by heat or any other mode, so as to form an even, hard, and durable carriage-road, not liable to be injured by heat or rain; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. It is required that an accurate *account* of the method used, and every expense attending it, together with satisfactory *certificates* of its being effectual, be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1805.

170. CLEANSING CHIMNEYS. To the person who shall invent and produce to the Society the most effectual mechanical or other means for cleansing chimneys from soot, and obviating the necessity of children being employed within the flues; the gold medal.

171. For the next in merit; the silver medal. The mechanical, or other means, with *certificates* of their having been used with proper effect, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

172. CHIMNEYS CLEANSED. To the person who shall during the year 1804 cleanse, or cause to be cleansed, the greatest number of chimneys, at least two stories high, not fewer than three hundred, by any mechanical or other process, which does not require the employment of boys within the flues; the gold medal. *Certificates*, signed by not less than two-thirds of those housekeepers on whose premises the said means have been employed, and an account of the process, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

173. To the person who shall cleanse, or cause to be cleansed, the next greatest number of chimneys, not fewer than one hundred and fifty, upon similar conditions to the above; the silver medal.

174. RAISING THE BODIES OF PERSONS WHO HAVE SUNK UNDER WATER. To the person who shall invent and produce to the Society a cheap and portable drag, or other machine, superior to those now in use, for the purpose of taking up in the best and most expeditious manner, and with the least injury, the bodies of persons who have sunk under water; the gold medal, or thirty guineas. The drag, or machine to answer the purpose intended, to be produced to the Society, on or before the first Tuesday in March, 1805.

PREMIUMS OFFERED FOR THE ADVANTAGE OF THE COMMERCE OF THE UNITED EMPIRE.

175. TAKING PORPOISES. To the people in any boat or vessel, who, in the year 1804, shall take the greatest number of porpoises on the coast of Great-Britain or Ireland, by gun,

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barpoon, or any other method, not fewer than thirty, for the purpose of extracting oil from them; the gold medal, or thirty pounds. *Certificates* of the number, signed by the persons to whom they have been sold or delivered for the purpose of extracting the oil, to be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in January, 1805.

176. OIL FROM PORPOISES. To the person who shall manufacture the greatest quantity of oil from porpoises taken on the coast of Great-Britain or Ireland, in the year 1804, not less than twenty tons; the gold medal, or thirty pounds. *Certificates* of the oil having been made from porpoises actually caught on the coast of Great-Britain or Ireland, and two gallons of the oil as a sample, to be produced to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805.

177. CURING HERRINGS BY THE DUTCH METHOD. To the person or persons who shall, before January, 1805, cure the greatest quantity of white herrings, not less than thirty barrels, according to the method practised by the Dutch, and equal in all respects to the best Dutch herrings, the same being caught in the British or Irish Seas, and cured in a British or Irish vessel or port; the gold medal, or fifty guineas.

178. For the next greatest quantity, not less than fifteen barrels; the silver medal, or twenty guineas. A sixteen-gallon barrel of the herrings to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805, with *certificates* that the conditions of the premium have been completely fulfilled, and that the whole were cured in the same manner as the specimen, together with a full description of the process employed, in order that the Society may judge how far the Dutch method has been adopted.

PREMIUMS OFFERED FOR THE ADVANTAGE OF THE BRITISH COLONIES.

179. NUTMEGS. For the greatest quantity of merchantable nutmegs, not less than ten pounds weight, being the growth of His Majesty's dominions in the West Indies, or any of the British settlements on the coast of Africa, or the several Islands adjacent thereto, and equal to those imported from the islands of the East Indies; the gold medal, or one hundred guineas. Satisfactory *certificates*, from the governor, or commander in chief, of the place of growth, with an account of the number of trees, their age, nearly the quantity of fruit on each tree, and the manner of culture, to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in December, 1804.

180. The same premium is extended one year farther. *Certificates* to be produced on

or before the first Tuesday in December, 1805.

181. CLOVES. For importing into Great Britain or Ireland, in the year 1804, the greatest quantity of cloves, not less than twenty pounds weight, being of the growth of some of the islands in the West Indies subject to the British empire, or any of the British settlements on the coast of Africa, or the several islands adjacent thereto, and equal in goodness to the cloves brought from the East Indies; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. Samples, not less than two pounds weight, with *certificates* that the whole quantity is equal in goodness, together with satisfactory *certificates* signed by the governor, or commander in chief, of the place of growth, with an account of the number of trees growing on the spot, their age, and the manner of culture, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

182. The same premium is extended one year farther. *Certificates* to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1806.

183. KALI FOR BARILLA. To the person who shall have cultivated, in the Bahama Islands, or any other part of his Majesty's dominions in the West Indies, or any of the British settlements on the coast of Africa, or the several islands adjacent thereto, in the year 1803, the greatest quantity of land, not less than two acres, with Spanish kali, fit for the purpose of making barilla; the gold medal, or thirty guineas.

184. For the next greatest quantity, not less than one acre; the silver medal, or fifteen guineas. *Certificates*, signed by the governor, or commander in chief, for the time being, of the quantity of land so cultivated, and of the state of the plants at the time of signing such *certificates*, to be delivered to the Society, with samples of the kali, on or before the second Tuesday in January, 1805.

185, 186. The same premiums are extended one year farther. *Certificates* to be produced on or before the second Tuesday in Jan. 1806.

187. DESTROYING THE INSECT COMMONLY CALLED THE BORER. To the person who shall discover to the Society an effectual method of destroying the insect commonly called the borer, which has, of late years, been so destructive to the sugar-canæs in the West-India islands, the British settlements on the coast of Africa, and the several islands adjacent thereto; the gold medal, or fifty guineas. The discovery to be ascertained by satisfactory *certificates*, under the hand and seal of the governor or commander in chief, for the time being, and of some other respectable persons, inhabitants of the islands, or other place, in which the remedy has been successfully applied: such *certificates* to be delivered to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in January, 1805.

188. CULTIVATION OF HEMP IN UPPER AND LOWER CANADA. To the person who shall sow with hemp the greatest quantity of land in the province of Upper Canada, not less than six arpents (each four-fifths of a statute acre), in the year 1804, and shall at the proper season cause to be plucked the summer hemp (or male hemp bearing no seed) and continue the winter hemp (or female hemp bearing seed) on the ground until the seed is ripe; the gold medal, or one hundred dollars.

189. To the person who shall sow with hemp the next greatest quantity of land in the same province of Upper Canada, not less than five arpents, in the year 1804, in the manner above mentioned; the silver medal, or eighty dollars.

190. For the next greatest quantity of land, in the same province, and in a similar manner, not less than four arpents; sixty dollars.

191. For the next greatest quantity of land, in the same province, and in a similar manner, not less than three arpents; forty dollars.

192. For the next greatest quantity of land, in the same province, and in a similar manner, not less than one arpent; twenty dollars. Certificates of the number of arpents, the method of culture, of the plucking of the hemp, with a general account whether sown broad-east or in drills, the expense, soil, cultivation, and produce, to be transmitted to the Society, certified under the hand and seal of the governor or lieutenant-governor, together with 28lb. of the hemp, and two quarts of the seed, on or before the last Tuesday in November, 1805.

193, 194, 195, 196, 197. The same premiums are extended one year farther. Certificates, &c. as before mentioned, to be transmitted to the Society on or before the last Tuesday in November, 1806.

198 to 203. Premiums exactly similar in all respects to those held out for the province of Upper Canada, are also offered for the province of Lower Canada, and are extended to the same period.

209. IMPORTATION OF HEMP FROM CANADA. To the master of that vessel, which shall bring to this country the greatest quantity of marketable hemp, not less than one hundred tons, in the year 1804, the produce of Upper or Lower Canada; the gold medal.

210. To the master of that vessel which shall bring the next quantity, not less than fifty tons; the silver medal. Certificates satisfactory to the Society to be produced by the master of the vessel on or before the first Tuesday in Fe-

bruary, 1805, to testify that such hemp was grown and prepared in Canada.

211, 212. The same premiums are extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in Feb. 1806.

PREMIUMS OFFERED FOR THE ADVANTAGE OF THE BRITISH SETTLEMENTS IN THE EAST INDIES.

213. BHAUGULPORE COTTON. To the person who shall import into the port of London, in the year 1804, the greatest quantity, not less than one ton, of the Bhaugulpore cotton, from which cloths are made in imitation of nankeen, without dying; the gold medal. A quantity of the cotton, not less than five pounds weight in the pod, and five pounds carded, to be produced to the Society, with proper certificates, signed by the Secretary to the Board of Trade of Bengal or Bombay, on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805.

214. The same premium is extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1806.

215. ANNATTO. To the person who, in the year 1804, shall import into the port of London, from any part of the British settlements in the East Indies, the greatest quantity of annatto, not less than five hundred weight; the gold medal. A quantity of the annatto, not less than ten pounds weight, to be produced to the Society, with proper certificates, signed by the Secretary of the Board of Trade of the respective settlement, that the annatto is the produce of such settlement, on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1805.

216. The same premium is extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the last Tuesday in February, 1806.

217. TRUE COCHINEAL. To the person who, in the year 1804, shall import into the port of London, from any part of the British settlements in the East Indies, the greatest quantity of true cochineal, not less than five hundred weight; the gold medal. A quantity of the cochineal, not less than ten pounds weight, with proper certificates, signed by the Secretary of the Board of Trade of the respective settlement, that the cochineal is the produce of such settlement, to be produced to the Society on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1805.

218. The same premium is extended one year farther. Certificates to be produced on or before the first Tuesday in February, 1806.

CONDITIONS FOR THE POLITE ARTS.

No person who has gained the first premium in any class shall be admitted a candidate in a class of an inferior age; and no candidate shall receive more than one premium in one year; nor shall they, who for two successive years have gained the first premium in one class, be again admitted as candidates in that class.

No person shall be admitted a candidate in any class, who has three times obtained the first premium in that class.

No more than one performance in any class shall be received from the same candidate.

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All performances (to which premiums or bounties are adjudged) shall remain with the Society till after the public distribution of rewards in May, when they will be re-delivered, unless mentioned in the Premiums to the contrary.

No performance shall be admitted, that has obtained a premium, reward, or gratification, from any other society, academy, or school, or been offered for that purpose.

All performances that obtain premiums in the Polite Arts must have been begun after the publication of such premiums, except line engravings.

To encourage real merit, and prevent attempts to impose on the Society, by producing drawings made or retouched by any other person than the candidate, the Society require a specimen of the abilities of each successful candidate, under the inspection of the Committee of Polite Arts, in every instance where such proof may appear necessary.

All candidates in the Polite Arts are required to signify, on their drawings, their age; and whether the performances are originals or copies; and if copies, whence they were taken.

SOCIETY'S OFFICE, ADELPHI, JUNE 1st, 1804.

ORDERED,

That the several Candidates and Claimants, to whom the Society shall adjudge Premiums or Bounties, do attend at the Society's Office in the Adelphi, on the last Tuesday in May, 1805, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon precisely, to receive the same; that day being appointed by the Society for the Distribution of their Rewards: And before that time no Premium or Bounty will be delivered, excepting to those who are about to leave the Kingdom.

In Cases where the Society may think fit to admit excuses for not attending in Person, Deputies may be substituted to receive the Rewards, provided such Deputies are either Members of the Society, or the superior Officers thereof.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

As the great object of the Society in rewarding individuals is to draw forth and give currency to those inventions and improvements, which are likely to benefit the public at large, candidates are requested to observe, that if the means, by which the respective objects are effected, do require an expense or trouble too great for general purposes, the Society will not consider itself as bound to give the offered reward; but, though it thus reserves the power of giving in all cases such part only of any premium as the performance shall be adjudged to deserve, or of withholding the whole if there be no merit, yet the candidates may be assured the Society will always judge liberally of their several claims.

It is required, that the matters for which premiums are offered, be delivered in without names, or any intimation to whom they belong; that each particular thing be marked in what manner each claimant thinks fit, such claimant sending with it a paper sealed up, having on the outside a corresponding mark, and on the inside, the claimant's name and address; and all candidates are to take notice, that no claim for a premium will be attended to, unless the conditions of the advertisement are fully complied with.

No papers shall be opened, but such as shall gain premiums, unless where it appears to the Society absolutely necessary for the determination of the claim; all the rest shall be returned unopened with the matters to which they belong, if inquired after by the mark, within two years.

All models of machines, which obtain premiums or bounties, shall be the property of the Society; and, where a premium or bounty is given for any machine, a perfect model thereof shall be given to the Society.

All the premiums of this Society are designed for Great-Britain and Ireland, unless expressly mentioned to the contrary.

The claims shall be determined as soon as possible after the delivery of the specimens.

It is expected that all articles for claims or bounties be sent to the Society carriage paid.

No person shall receive any premium, bounty, or encouragement, from the Society, for any matter for which he has obtained, or purposes to obtain, a patent.

A candidate for a premium, or a person applying for a bounty, being detected in any disingenuous method to impose on the Society, shall forfeit such bounty, and be deemed incapable of obtaining any for the future.

No member of this Society shall be a candidate for, or entitled to receive, any premium, bounty, or reward, whatsoever, except the honorary medal of the Society. The candidates are, in all cases, expected to furnish a particular account of the subject of their claims; and where certificates are required to be produced in claim of premiums, they should be expressed, as nearly as possible, in the words of the respective advertisements, and be signed by persons who have a positive knowledge of the facts stated.

Where premiums or bounties are obtained in consequence of specimens produced, the Society

mean to retain such part of those specimens as they may judge necessary, making a reasonable allowance for the same.

No candidates shall be present at any meetings of the Society or committees, or admitted at the Society's rooms, after they have delivered in their claims, until such claims are adjudged, unless summoned by the committee.

N. B. The Society farther invite the communications of scientific and practical men upon any of the subjects for which premiums are offered, although their experiments may have been conducted upon a smaller scale than the terms of each require, as they may afford ground for more extensive application, and thus materially forward the views of the Society, and contribute to the advantage of the public. Such communications to be made by letter, addressed to the Society, and directed to Mr. CHARLES TAYLOR, the Secretary, at the Society of Arts, Adelphi, London.

The models required by the Society should be upon the scale of one inch to a foot. The Winchester bushel is the measure referred to for grain; and, as the acres of different districts vary in extent, it is necessary to observe, that the Society mean Statute Acres of five and a half yards to the rod or pole, when acres are mentioned in their list of premiums; and they request that all communications to them may be made agreeably thereto.

The Society desire that the Papers on different subjects sent to them may be full, clear, explicit, fit for publication, and rather in the form of Essays than of Letters; and where descriptive Drawings can be conveniently sent, with the Models and Machines laid before the Society, it is recommended to be done.

Presents to the Society of Books for their Library will be thankfully received.

To persons inclined to leave a sum of money to this Society by will, the following form is offered for that purpose.

Item. I give and bequeath to A. B. and C. D. the sum of upon
condition and to the intent that they, or one of them, do pay the same to the Collector, for the
time being, of a Society in London, who now call themselves the Society for the Encourage-
ment of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce; which said sum of
I will and desire may be paid out of my personal estate, and applied towards the carrying on
the laudable designs of the Society. By Order of the Society.

CHARLES TAYLOR, Secretary.

N.B. The Society for the Encouragement of Arts, &c. considering that it would be beneficial to the Commerce of the United Kingdom, to bring the British Marbles into more general use, and that the most effectual method of accomplishing their object would be, for the present, to make them more generally known in the capital, have come to the following resolutions:—

Resolved,—That specimens of British Marbles be exposed in the Society's Rooms at the Adelphi for the inspection of the Public, under the following regulations:

1st, That all specimens be exact to a given size, viz. eight inches high, six inches broad, one inch thick, and polished on one face.

2d, That a book be kept containing the number of each specimen, and describing the situation of the quarry, the name of the parish where situated, the distance of the quarry from a beaten road, and the distance of that road from water-carriage, with the name of the donor and proprietor. Any remarks on the qualities of the marbles, or on the lime produced from them, will be gratefully received and preserved by the Society, as materials for future inquiries.

Resolved,—That as the exertions of the Society can only be beneficial to the public, inasmuch as their views are seconded by the public, the Society request, that all persons, proprietors of marble quarries, will favour them with a specimen of the marble, worked to the exact size above mentioned, with the description of the quarry as above, that the same may be entered in the book to be preserved for the use of the public.

Society of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, Adelphi.

ON Tuesday the 29th of May, 1804, the Rewards of the Society were, as usual, distributed by his Grace the Duke of Norfolk, arranged under the following classes; and on Wednesday the 6th of June the Society held the last Meeting of that Session, and adjourned to the fourth Wednesday in October next.

IN AGRICULTURE

To J. C. Curwen, Esq. M.P. of Belle-isle,
Winandermere, for planting 814,956 timber-
trees, class 23, the gold medal.

To J. Borron, Esq. Warrington, for planting
600,000 osiers, class 14, the gold medal.

To Thos. Plowman, Esq. Broome, in Norfolk,
for an improved sheepfold, the gold medal.

Rewards awarded.

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To J.C. Curwen, Esq. M.P. Belle-isle, Winandermere, for drains extending 6000 yards, the gold medal.

To Mr. William Watson, North Middleton, near Belford, Northumberland, for the comparative culture of turnips, the silver medal.

To John Hutton, Esq. Marske, near Richmond, Yorkshire, for planting 19 acres with forest-trees, the silver medal.

To Mr. William Pearce, Landewednack, near Helston, Cornwall, for unremitting industry, the silver medal and 15 guineas.

To Mr. John Shirreff, Captain-Head, for preserving turnips in winter, class 51, 30 guineas.

IN CHEMISTRY.

To Sir H. Englefield, Bart. Tilney-street, for lake from madder, the gold medal.

To Dr. William Dyce, Aberdeen, for a mine of manganese, the gold medal.

To Mr. Matthew Gregson, Liverpool, for useful applications of burnt articles, the gold medal.

To J. MacLachlan, Esq. Calcutta, for accounts of the Eastern red dyes, and mineral products, the silver medal.

IN POLITE ARTS.

To Miss Elizabeth Penman, Glasgow, the gold medal.

To Miss Elizabeth Crutwell, Hammersmith, the silver medal.

To Miss Harriet Gough, Pontatawee Cottage, near Neath, Glamorganshire, the silver medal.

To Miss Grindall, Lower Brook-street, Grosvenor-square, the silver medal.

To Miss Sophia Charlotte Day, Lower Bryanstone-street, Portman-square, the silver medal.

To Miss Spurgeon, Lowestoft, Suffolk, the silver medal.

To Miss Andree, Hatton-Garden, the silver medal.

To John Churchman, Esq. the silver medal.

To Miss Matilda Lowry, Titchfield-street, the gold pallet.

To Mr. George Shepherd, Ratcliffe-row, City-road, the greater silver pallet.

To Mr. Henry Corbould, John-street, Fitzroy-square, the gold pallet.

To Mr. W. Heseltine, Bromley, near Bow, the greater silver pallet.

To Mr. G. Jones, Great Portland-street, the lesser silver pallet.

To Mr. Middiman, Lower Grafton-street, the gold medal.

To Mr. Henry Hole, Liverpool, the gold pallet.

To Mr. Richard Austin, jun. Paul's-alley, Barbican, the greater silver pallet.

To Mr. J. Carey, the gold medal.

To Mr. J. S. Halfpenny, Stafford-place, Plimlico, the greater silver pallet.

To Mr. H. D. Thielcke, Stafford-place, Plimlico, the lesser silver pallet.

IN MANUFACTURES.

To Mr. James Birch, Tavistock-Mews, Tavistock-street, Tottenham-court-road, for an improved swivel-loin, 25 guineas.

To Mr. James Pickard, Skinner-street, Bishopsgate-street, for an improved engine-loin, 20 guineas.

IN MECHANICS.

To the Rev. D. Pape, Penn, near Wolverhampton, for improving Rye Harbour, the gold medal.

To Capt. Brodie, Royal Navy, Leith, for marine improvements, the gold medal.

To Mr. R. Seppins, Chatham-yard, for obviating the necessity of lifting ships, the gold medal.

To Mr. George Walby, Goswell-street, for a hammer for making trowels, the silver medal and 40 guineas.

To Mr. George Dodd, Duke-street, Portland-place, for an improved gun-lock, the silver medal and 10 guineas.

To Mr. James Rawlinson, Derby, for an improved colour-mill, the silver medal and 10 guineas.

To the Chevalier Edelerantz, of Sweden, for a safety valve for steam-engines, the silver medal.

To Mr. J. M. Elliot, Little Castle-street, for an improved repeating watch, 30 guineas.

To Mr. W. Hardy, Chapel-street, for a method of banking the balance of a time-keeper, 30 guineas.

To Mr. Thomas Holden, of Petworth, in Sussex, for a machine to do all the thread-work in shoemaking standing, 15 guineas.

IN COLONIES AND TRADE.

To J. W. Clarke, Esq. Montreal, for the culture of hemp, the gold medal.

To Mr. Jacob Schneider, York, Upper Canada, for the culture of hemp, class 188, the gold medal, or 100 dollars.

To Mr. Daniel Mosher, Kingston, Upper Canada, for the culture of hemp, class 189, the silver medal, or 80 dollars.

To Walter Baine, Esq. Greenock, for curing white herrings, the silver medal.

VARIETIES, LITERARY AND PHILOSOPHICAL,

*Including Notices of Works in Hand, Domestic and Foreign.*** Authentic Communications for this Article will always be thankfully received.*

A Plan of a Telegraphic Establishment for Domestic and Commercial Purposes having been suggested some time since to Mr. BOAZ, the ingenious patentee of a Day and Night Telegraph (vide vol. 13, page 250), that gentleman has lately submitted proposals for a local experiment to the inhabitants of Liverpool. A line of Telegraphs is in consequence about to be established from Liverpool to Holyhead, for the purpose of announcing the arrival of ships bound for Liverpool, and of procuring pilots. Another line has been suggested, from Liverpool to Hull, through Manchester and Leeds; and another from Liverpool to London, through Chester and Birmingham. These several lines would not cost more than 15,000*l.* and, on a moderate calculation of the messages which would be sent through them, at the rate of a guinea per eight words, per 100 miles, there is no doubt, but the establishment would, on the average, net an annual profit of 2 or 300 per cent. The person with whom this plan originated, hoped to see it executed by government, and a telegraphic establishment extended from the metropolis to every market town in the kingdom; but it is probable that its utility and profit must first be demonstrated by the experiment of private individuals, before the nation at large can be made to participate in the advantages of so wonderful a system of conveying intelligence—a system which would confer a sort of ubiquity on those who might choose to avail themselves of it, and which would render the whole of this busy and extended nation like one concentrated metropolis.

Mr. ROSCOE's Life and Pontificate of Leo X. which will form four volumes, quarto, is considerably advanced in printing, more than one half being already worked off.

The manuscript of the second volume of the Life of General Washington has been received in London, from Mr. BUSHROD WASHINGTON. It will make its appearance early in July. This volume commences with the birth of the General, and concludes with the campaign of 1776.

A new edition of Milton's Prose Works, with a Biographical and Critical Preface, by Dr. SYMMONS, six octavo volumes, printed uniformly with Todd's

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edition of the Poetical Works, will be speedily published.

Dr. MOODIE, of Bath, has used, with the greatest success, the *aqua kali puri* (*olim lixivium saponarium*), in case of a woman who had been bitten by a viper, and who was apparently in a dying condition. A tea-spoonful was at first administered in water, every three or four hours, and afterwards every six hours: she was relieved immediately after the first dose, and in four days was perfectly restored to health. The Doctor further observes, that when persons are bitten by animals whose venom is highly deleterious, the progress of the disorder may be stopped, and the person saved, by the speedy administration of the *lixivium saponarium*. Hence also, if any of the strong mineral acids should fall on any part of the body, the immediate application of this substance will prevent them from doing further mischief. Or, if a person should accidentally swallow any of the mineral acids, or hydrargyrus muriatus, or any other corroding salt, which an alkali will decompose, a speedy exhibition of a solution of the alkaline salt, in proper doses, affords the most likely means of relief, and of preventing fatal effects.

The Right Hon. Lord TEIGNMOUTH is about to publish the Life of Sir William Jones, in one volume, quarto, of an uniform size with his works.

Mr. EZEKIEL WALKER recommends, as the best method of obtaining the longitude at sea, that five or six timekeepers be taken in the same ship, and that the longitude be computed by each separately, and the mean of their results taken, which, even at the end of three or four months, will be found exceedingly near the truth.

A new and very large edition (corrected) of "A Collection of Hymns and Psalms, for Public and Private Worship," is nearly ready for publication, to answer the demand of several congregations in various parts of the United Kingdom. This collection was made by Drs. KIPPIS and REES, the Rev. THOMAS JERVIS, and the Rev. THOMAS MORGAN.

The fourth volume of the Vases of Pure Greek Workmanship, in the collection of Sir WILLIAM HAMILTON, has recently appeared, and completes the publication.

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Mr. DONOVAN, author of the Natural Histories of British Birds, Insects, &c. will shortly lay before the public the Natural History of British Shells, including coloured figures, arranged after the Linnean manner, with scientific and general Observations on each.

The Rev. JOHN CLARKE, Minor Canon of the Cathedral Church of Durham, has in the press, "A brief Illustration of the Morning Service of the United Church of England and Ireland."

The Bishop of St. David's will speedily publish a small work, illustrating the "First Principles of Christian Knowledge." To which will be prefixed, a Discourse "On the Duty of Conforming to the Established Church, as good Christians and good Subjects."

Dr. TURNER's Philosophical Inquiry into the Properties of Nature, will not be ready for publication before the middle of July.

Mr. PARKINSON, of Hoxton, whose valuable publications we have frequently had occasion to notice, has announced a new and interesting work, under the title of *Organic Remains of a former World*, in which he proposes to examine the mineralized remains of the Antediluvian Vegetables and Animals.

The Secretary of the Vaccine Pock Institution, Bread-street, Golden-square, has addressed the following Letter to the Editor of the Monthly Magazine.—“The public mind being of late much disturbed in consequence of successive reports during the whole of the last year, and especially of late, by publications of cases esteemed to be instances of the Small-pox two or three years subsequently to the Cow-pock; the Medical Establishment of this Institution have thought it their duty, whatever may be their own opinions, not to be inactive and silent. Accordingly I am directed to state, that in the last fortnight a number of subjects who had undergone vaccination in the year 1800, (the first year of the new practice at any professed institution) have been submitted to the test or counter-proof variolation, in circumstances the most favourable for exciting the Small-pox. Besides these trials, additional ones have been instituted on subjects who were vaccinated in Dr. Pearson's and Mr. Keate's early practice in 1799. Further: reports have been already received at the Institution from several provincial correspondents, who were witnesses to whole parishes of subjects vaccinated under Dr. Pearson's inspection, or with matter furnished by himself early in the year 1799. A*

* It may be very important information to affirm, that the matter now used at this Institution was that originally taken, in January and February, 1799, by one of the physicians, from cows in Mary-le-bone-fields and Gray's-

very brief, but it is presumed conclusive, Statement of Evidence collected from these sources on the question with which some persons have agitated the minds of so many families is intended to be laid before the public in a week or ten days. This statement, it is apprehended, will be the most proper return to the respectable author,† who has lately addressed his pamphlet 'To the Directors of the Vaccine Institution,' very justly conceiving 'that the point at issue is within the power of this Institution, if they will give directions for a number of persons to be inoculated with Small-pox matter, or exposed strongly to infection, who were vaccinated early in the practice.' As no other professed vaccine institution but this has been established long enough to answer the demand, it has been determined to comply"

The ingenious Mr. CUTHBERTSON gives the following as the result of many experiments in Galvanism: (1) Charcoal was deflagrated and ignited for about one inch in length; (2) iron wire, $\frac{1}{16}$ of an inch in diameter, was melted into a ball $\frac{1}{16}$ of an inch in diameter; (3) platina wire, $\frac{1}{100}$ inch in diameter, was melted into a ball, $\frac{1}{16}$ inch in diameter; (4) brais wire, $\frac{1}{20}$ inch in diameter, was ignited; (5) brais, $\frac{1}{16}$ inch diameter, was red hot at the extremity; (6) iron wire, $\frac{1}{150}$ inch in diameter, was red hot for 16 inches in length; (7) iron wire, 12 inches, deflagrated and melted into a ball; (8) iron wire, six inches in length was deflagrated; (9) iron wire, eight inches in length was ignited. Two troughs, each containing 30 pair of plates, six inches square, were used for the first seven experiments; and one of these troughs only for the last two experiments. The four last experiments, Mr. Cuthbertson thinks, go to prove, that double quantities of Galvanic fluid burn double lengths of wire, and not the square, as electrical charges do.

A volume of Sermons on various subjects, by the Rev. C. P. LAYARD, D.D. F.R.S. F.A.S. late Dean of Bristol, is in the press.

Mr. J. BRAMAH has invented a new jib. The peculiar construction consists in perforating the axis or pillar of the crane,

inn-lane, with the addition, about three years ago, of matter from the Milanese by Dr. Tacco. But it does not appear that this extensive succession has at all altered the properties, nor that there is any difference of properties amongst these different sources of matter. The experience of this Institution does not justify the conclusions, that the failure of the Cow Pock in preventing the Small Pox depends in general upon the selection of matter on a particular day.

† See Mr. Goldson's Cases of Small-pox subsequent to Vaccination.

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and in conducting the rope through this perforation, by means of an additional pulley fixed on the top of the arm of the jib. Thus the rope proceeds from the goods which are hoisted, through a pulley fixed, as usual, at the extremity of the jib; it then passes over another pulley, fixed at the extremity of the jib, to a third, fixed at the opposite extremity of the jib, and is by this pulley conducted through the perforated axis, or pillar, to another pulley, whence it is immediately directed to the crane by which the weight is elevated.

Messrs. HARMAN and DEARN, of Rotherhithe, have invented an apparatus for filtering water, which will obviate the inconveniences of the filtering stone. The new apparatus consists of a stone-ware vessel, perforated with holes, upon which coarse gravel is laid, and upon that a stratum of fine gravel, and lastly fine sand. Upon the top of the sand is laid a perforated and loaded board or plate of earthen ware, to prevent the sand from being disturbed when the water is poured in. The fineness and depth of the siliceous sand will regulate the perfection and expedition of the process, and the delicacy of the vessels and sand may be insured by changing the latter from time to time; for example, once in a fortnight or three weeks.

A collection of the best French tragedies and comedies, since the time of Rotrou, is publishing at Paris, in 20 vols. 8vo. Each piece is accompanied by a critique and a characteristic plate.

The third and last volume of the Picturesque Voyage of Tuscany has been just published at Florence.

The second volume of BAUER's Thucydides, so long expected, has at length made its appearance.

Mr. PORSON's editions of the tragedies of EURIPIDES, have been reprinted on the Continent; and a very useful index has been added.

BARBY has printed the Philoctetes of Sophocles, with a perpetual commentary.

MATTHIA has printed an interesting volume of Critical Remarks on Classic Authors.

BRUGNATELLI has observed that when nitric acid is made to act upon paper, a large quantity of suberic acid, mixed with oxalic acid, is obtained, which proves that FOURCROY was right in placing cork among the immediate principles of vegetables.

A piece of amber weighing 13 pounds, 7 ounces, 9 scruples; and measuring 318 $\frac{1}{2}$ cubic inches, has lately been found at Schlapaken, in Germany, which is the largest mass of amber hitherto found. Its

colour is a pale yellow, intersected with several lines. Its estimated value is 40,000 dollars.

DEMMENIE has noticed that the solution of copal may easily be effected by exposing it to the vapours of alcohol, or oil of turpentine. For that purpose an alembic may be filled one-fourth with either of these fluids, and some pieces of copal suffered to be suspended by threads in it, over the surface of the fluid. After having made the alcohol, or oil of turpentine, boil, the copal becomes liquified, and is dissolved. This is the best method of preparing copal varnish.

The following is a new method of preparing nitric ether, by BRUGNATELLI.—Introduce into a tubulated retort, one ounce of sugar, and pour over it two ounces of highly concentrated alcohol. Adapt to the retort a capacious receiver, surrounded with cloth dipt in water, and secure the junctures of the vessels, by surrounding them with slips of paper only; then pour through the tubulare of the retort 30 ounces of concentrated nitrous acid; a violent action takes place, the sugar is dissolved; the alcohol is converted into ether, and passes over into the receiver; its quantity is nearly equal to the alcohol employed.

The oliferous China Radish, the *raphanus Chinensis annuus oliferus*, is much cultivated in Piedmont and the Milanese. From 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ounces of seed, a farmer, named Grandi, obtained a produce of 583 pounds, which yielded 200 pounds weight of oil. The Chinese extract from the seed half its weight in oil. It is employed by the Italians for culinary purposes, burns without emitting any smoke, and gives light as clear as common oil. In the Milanese, the seed is sown in March, the land having been ploughed in autumn, and again before the seed is sown, but not manured. The plants are to be thinned to the distance of three or four inches from each other.

MARTINOFF, director of the department of Public Instruction, in Russia, has commenced a periodical publication called the *Northern Publisher*. The first number contains an account of the State of Learning in Russia, from the earliest times to the present.

The COUNSELLOR VON REIMER, is about to publish a Picture of St. Petersburg at the commencement of the nineteenth century.

Professor NYCRUP, and others, are superintending a superb edition of the whole works of the Father of the Danish theatre, the celebrated LUDWIG BARON HOLBERG.

M. DEXEUX has invented a new filter
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for purifying water. The substance through which the water passes is charcoal, in small pieces, but not reduced to powder. At the School of Medicine in Paris, he poured water taken from the kennel, and some in which putrid carcasses had been immersed three weeks, upon his filters, and in a few minutes it ran off in both cases perfectly clear, limpid, and without taste or smell.

In the dominions of Prussia, Brandenburg, &c. nothing can equal the zeal of FREDERICK-WILLIAM, for the instruction of his subjects, and for the progress of the arts and of sciences. That monarch is, at this time, chiefly occupied in organizing suitable establishments for the ordinary schools, in which he is seconded by a group of distinguished writers, who contribute their united talents to the success of his patriotic views on all matters essential to the good of the state; the affairs of administration are discussed; relative interests are treated of with a frankness, which, whilst it reflects lustre on his character, cannot but be acceptable to a king, friendly to publicity, and almost all of whose letters, orders, and decrees, are published in the Annals of the Prussian Monarchy. Thus every thing succeeds and prospers visibly under the shade of the olive, which grows and flourishes under the auspices of that pacific monarch; and the gratitude of a Brandenburger, manifested in a publication, entitled, "To Frederick William, in the Name of the Northern Part of Germany," may be considered as the expression of a spontaneous and unanimous sentiment.

The King of Sweden has lately granted a donation of the sum of 500 crowns to M. COLLIN, optician of the Academy of Sciences at Stockholm, and the inventor of an instrument, by means of which, objects at the bottom of the sea may be distinguished to a considerable depth.

The following anecdote relative to the late Mr. Gibbon, the historian, is copied from a work lately printed at Paris, intitled, "Anecdotes Relatives," &c. or "Anecdotes relative to J. J. Rousseau and to Gibbon," published by Madame de GENLIS.—Mr. Gibbon is a man of low stature, and of enormous or disproportioned bulk; his countenance is a perfect *unique*, so that it is impossible to distinguish a single feature in it. He has scarcely any nose, or any eyes, and but a very little mouth. His two fat cheeks absorb every thing; they are so large, so prominent, and of so extravagant a proportion, that it is matter of astonishment

to find them there. The countenance of Mr. Gibbon would be very easy to represent or describe, if full liberty of speech were allowed, and it could be done without a figure. M. De Lauzun, an intimate friend of his, took him on a visit to Madame Du Deffant. That lady, who is blind, has a custom of handling the faces of such persons of note as are introduced to her, with a view to form some idea of their features. She, of course, wished to shew this mark of flattering curiosity to Mr. Gibbon, who endeavoured to satisfy her, by accommodating his visage with all the good nature imaginable. Then Madame Du Deffant, gently stroaking her hands over his large physiognomy, was searching, but in vain, for some feature, but could meet with nothing but those two surprising cheeks. During this examination, there might be read successively in the countenance of Madame Du Deffant, astonishment, uncertainty, and at length, all of a sudden, the most violent indignation—when, drawing back her hands, abruptly she exclaimed, "*Voilà une infame plaisanterie!*"—Truly, a very indecent joke!

The French Government has lately decreed, that there shall be erected at Paris, in the centre of the *Place Vendôme*, a Column, similar to that erected at Rome in honour of Trajan. This Column is to be two metres and 73 centimetres in diameter, by 20 metres and 78 centimetres in height. Its shaft is to be ornamented in its contour, with 108 allegorical figures in bronze, each having 97 centimetres of proportion, and representing the Departments of the Republic. The Column to be surmounted with a pedestal, on which will be raised a pedestrian statue of Charlemagne.

Citizen CONTE has invented a method of preventing iron and steel from rusting. This method consists in mixing with oil varnish, at least half, or, at furthest, four-fifths of essence of turpentine, well rectified, according to the greater or less solidity that is intended to be produced in the effect. This varnish to be applied lightly and equally with a sponge; after which the piece should be left to dry, under shelter from the dust. It is announced that articles thus varnished will preserve their metallic lustre, and not contract the slightest spot of rust. It may be likewise applied to copper, whose polish it preserves, and keeps alive the colour. It may more especially be employed to advantage, to preserve from all decay physical instruments in experiments, wherein, when put in contact with water, they are apt

apt to lose the gloss which enhances their merit, and wherein their neatness consists.

The following is the result of the details and series of proofs, collected by Citizen BIOT, a Member of the National Institute, who was sent into the department of *Orne*, by order of the Minister of the Interior, to ascertain the reality of a meteor observed at *Aigle*, on the 6th of *Floreal*, year 11, as copied from his Relation of the Journey, printed by order of the Institute — It is certain that in the neighbourhood of *Aigle*, on Tuesday, the 6th of *Floreal*, year 11, towards one o'clock at noon, a violent explosion took place, which lasted during five or six minutes, with a continual peal or rolling. This explosion was heard at the distance of near 30 leagues round about. On that same day, some moments before the explosion at *Aigle*, there appeared in the air, a luminous globe, impressed with a rapid movement. This globe was not observed at *Aigle*, but it was seen from many other of the neighbouring towns, very distant from one another. The explosion which took place on the 6th of *Floreal*, near *Aigle*, was posterior to the appearance of the fiery globe that was seen in the air. The reporter computes the number of the stones that fell under the above circumstances, at two or three thousand. They burnt those who took them up at the moment of their fall, when they had a very sulphureous smell. Long after, Citizen Biot discovered the same smell in breaking to pieces some of the largest. The witnesses to the fall of the stones are almost all the inhabitants of twenty hamlets, scattered over an extent of more than two leagues square, and in the number of whom are found men, women, and children of all ages; sensible and ingenuous farmers, curates, military men who have passed through the wars of the Revolution, and alike exempt from impositions and from fear. No testimony appears to invalidate the fact, or to vary the principal circumstances. The fiery globe, moving in the atmosphere with great rapidity, was seen from *Cæn*, from *Pont-Audemer*, and from the neighbourhood of *Alençon*, *Falaize*, and *Verneuil*. The explosion was heard round *Aigle*, in a circumference of more than thirty leagues. The heaviest of the stones that have been collected weighed seventeen pounds.

At the University of Moscow Lectures are now held on Natural History, Physical Science, Commerce, and the History of European States, for the instruction of

the public at large; persons of both sexes being admitted, and even invited to attend them.

Although the Botanic Garden at Malmaison has not been established above three years, it is one of the most distinguished and interesting in France. No pains are spared to obtain the most precious productions from every part of the world, and it is the principal aim of the owner of the garden, to stock it with such useful plants and animals as may be naturalized in France.

Last year the Petersburg public, for the first time, enjoyed the spectacle of a Panorama. Views of Rome, Berlin, and Riga, were exhibited by M. TIELKER, an artist from Berlin. When Mr. Tielker arrived at Riga, he entered his Panorama as pictures, and was charged at the usual rate of one and a half ruble per inch, the whole amounting to the sum of 14,000 rubles. But application being made to the Emperor, he ordered to let the whole be imported duty-free.

The literary Society of the county of Mansfeld, in Saxony, have proposed a subscription for erecting a monument to the great Martin Luther, in the place of his nativity.—The King of Prussia has patronized this undertaking, by subscribing 100 Frederics-d'or, and allowing all letters, addressed to the Society, relative to this monument, to pass post-free. The Society request not only the pecuniary contributions of the admirers of the great Reformer, but likewise plans for the monument, and hints for a suitable inscription.

A series of instructive Historical Maps, by C. KRUSER, are now publishing in Germany. There is a map for each century, displaying, at one view, the changes that had taken place in consequence of war, conquest, or the dismemberment of states.

M. KARAMSIN, a translation of whose Travels was last year published in London, has been appointed Historiographer of the Russian Empire; and the Emperor has ordered, that he shall have access to all the archives and collections of documents and deeds.

There are now thirty-four printing-offices in Sweden, thirteen in Stockholm, two in Gothenburg, two in Lund, and one in nineteen other towns. In these printing-offices, five newspapers and journals are printed at Stockholm, four at Gothenburg, two at Upsal, Calmar, and Linköping, and one in fourteen other cities.

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MONTHLY RETROSPECT OF THE FINE ARTS.

(The Loan of all new Prints and Communications of Articles of Intelligence is requested.)

IN our last month's remarks on the Royal Academy, we mentioned a woefull lack of historic subjects, and the great predominance of portraits; but, notwithstanding this, and their perpetual squabbles among each other, we always considered the annual exhibition at this place, as a collection from which the history of the English school might be in a degree recorded, as it still displayed the general state of the arts each succeeding year. We fear this is no longer the case; for, from so many artists now making separate exhibitions of their own pictures, the Royal Academy ceases to present a fair criterion. The necessary consequence of this is, that their visitors decrease; and this in so great a degree, that, we have been told, they this year sold only 12,000 Catalogues, though in the year 1803 they sold 29,000. The number of visitors, we believe, may be estimated in about a similar proportion; and if so, *what a falling off is here!*

How far these separations of so many branches from the great trunk may be occasioned by individuals being improperly treated, it does not come into our plan to notice: neither is it a part of our plan to notice their various exhibitions; but the two which follow, and which are worthy attention, are of a separate and distinct description.

Dubourg's Exhibition of large Cork Models, No. 67, Lower Grosvenor street; Mount Vesuvius at the Time of the great Eruption with the Flowing of the Lava, the Town of Portici, &c. a Night View of a Torrent of Lava, that fell down a hollow Way above fifty Feet, and formed a singular and beautiful Cascade of Fire; Amphitheatre of Verona, Temples, Mausoleums, &c in and near Naples, and the South of France.

The principal part of the representations of mouldering fanes, &c. which we have hitherto seen, have a strong resemblance to those artificial new ruins which are erected in the grounds of some of our nobility as a terminus to an avenue, and remind us of the decorations of a pastry-cook's shop on Twelfth-day, rather than of those gigantic remains of ancient magnificence which display a dignity in their decay, and though

— “ Obscur'd in dust,
Yet still majestic; the solemn scene
Elates the soul, while now the rising sun
Flames on the ruins, in the purer air,
Tow'ring aloft, upon the glittering plain,
Like broken rocks a vast circumference :

Rent palaces, crush'd columns, rifted moles,
Fanes roll'd on fanes, and tombs on buried
tombs.”

To give as exact a mirror as art can produce of such a scene as this Mr. Dubourg has chosen the best material that nature has furnished; the spongy and loose texture of the cork tree, when properly chosen, has a very strong resemblance to the mouldering appearance which the teeth of time give to very ancient buildings, and these ruins have a very striking resemblance to the mouldering fanes from which they are copied.

In New Bond-street there is a Botanical Exhibition, in which are many most exquisite drawings, made for Dr. Thornton's most splendid work, &c. which to the student in natural history will afford much entertainment, and instruction; and when considered with a relation to Dr. Darwin's Loves of the Plants, &c. open to the poetical mind the sources of a new and very amusing mythology.

Her Royal Highness the Princess of Orange. Hopper pinxt. P. Conele sculpt. in Chalk.

This print displays great taste in the engraving; it is not fettered by that rigid mechanical manner, which in many of the prints of the present day has confounded all distinction of masters, and given a vapid sameness to the productions of every age and country, reducing every variety to one common standard, and leading the way to our becoming a band of mannerists of the most contemptible stamp. Nothing can be more fatal to the arts, or more likely to blight every bud of genius, than thus marching in procession through a beaten path, and reducing the engraver to a mere mechanic. We therefore rejoice when we see any artist shake off these shackles and assume the characteristic dignity which ought to be adopted by all who wish for distinction in their profession.

Right Hon. Charles Abbot, Speaker of the House of Commons; T. Northcote pinxt. Picart sculpt. in Chalk.

The style of engraving portraits, which was sometimes adopted by Bartolozzi, we have frequently recommended to the study of the young artists of this country; and his engraving of Lord Loughborough we recollect having noticed in the Retrospect in the high terms of praise to which it was entitled. The engraver of this has judiciously taken the portrait of Lord Loughborough for his model, and produced a print of considerable merit.

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Benjamin West, Esq. P. R. A. Engraved by George Dawes, from a Miniature painted by A. Robertson.

Among the artists painted by Vandyke, there are many, most picturesque and dignified portraits: the air and attitude which this great painter gave to his heads, rendered all of them valuable; but when he delineated one of his own profession, we frequently see something that looks like the taste of the man who sat, united to the taste of the painter. Be that as it may, the broad mantle, flowing hair and beard, and elevated countenances of many of them, gave high value to that part of his works; though some of them had an air so fierce as to leave some doubt of their peaceable profession: they were dignified, and though their features were coarse, they were characteristic. Very different are the portraits of the painters of the present day. A large number of them sat to Gilbert Stuart, the American, who painted them for Alderman Boydell; and they were afterwards exhibited at the Shakespeare Gallery. They were all strong resemblances; but a set of more uninteresting vapid countenances it is not easy to imagine: neither dignity, elevation, or grace, appear in any one of them; and had not the catalogue given their names, they might have passed for a company of cheesemongers and grocers. The late President of the R. A. was depicted with a wig, that sat as close, and was as tight in curl, as a hackney coachman's caxon, and in the act of taking a pinch of snuff. The present President, and several others, were delineated as smug upon the mart, as so many men mercers, or haberdashers of small wares, all of which originated in the bad taste of the sitter.—But this is foreign to the purpose of the present portrait of Mr. West, which must be admitted to be a very strong resemblance, and is engraved in a manner highly creditable to the abilities of the artist.

The Right H. W. Windham. Hopper, R. A. pinxit. S. W. Reynolds sculpt. Mezzotinto.

A very fine Portrait, and engraved with Mr. Reynolds's usual ability

Mrs. Young, in the Character of Cora; W. Hobbday pinxit. W. Bond sculpt.

The rage for theatrical portraits has, within these three year or four years, been on the increase. This is engraved in the chalk manner; of the likeness, it so happens, that we are not competent to speak: in other respects, is a mediocre performance.

Grouse-Shooters. T. Northcote, R. A. pinxit. G. Dawe, sculpt. Mezzotinto.

The subject of this print will to some of our readers be in a degree interesting. The artist has treated it in a tolerably picturesque style, and it is very well engraved; the effect is rich, and the characters well marked and animated.

Filmer Honeywood, Esq. M. P. Engraved and published by W. Sharpe.

This portrait is in the line manner, and engraved with a richness and vigour of effect that is highly honourable to the artist. It is greatly to be lamented that the English school furnishes so few specimens of portrait, engraved in this nervous and manly style. The public taste has, for some time, been vitiated and misled by the insipid monotony of dotted work. They have not only tolerated, but encouraged and sanctioned, this fantastic fashion, fit only for fan-mounts; yet after all, perhaps

"The artist's taste the public patrons give;
And they who live to please, must please to live."

But the charm is dissolved, and the country calls loudly on its artists to vindicate their fame, and produce works that will in a degree restore to the English school the character it obtained from the labours of a Woollet and a Bartolezzi.

REVIEW OF NEW MUSICAL PUBLICATIONS.

Four Favourite Airs, with Variations for the Harp; composed by John Baptiste Mayer. 7s. 6d.

THE Airs selected by this excellent master, on the instrument for which he here writes are, "God save the King," an original melody from his own pen, a Scotch and an Irish air. The variations are uniformly pleasing; and certainly calculated to place the lovers of the harp in an advantageous point of view. It is

therefore with as much pleasure as justice, that we recommend the present publication to the notice of all practitioners on that fashionable instrument.

Three Sonatas for the Piano-forte, with an Accompaniment for a Violin; composed by Mozart. 7s. 6d.

These sonatas merit a place among the best of Mozart's piano-forte compositions. The subjects of the several movements are happily

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happily fancied, while the movements themselves are so judiciously contrasted as to derive much additional effect from their relative situations. The passages in general are well disposed for the hand; and greatly admit of that facile and playful execution which delights both the cultivated and uncultivated ear.

Two Favourite Welsh Airs, Nôs Galan, and Ar Hyd Y Nôs, with Variations for the Piano-forte; composed and respectfully inscribed to Miss Mackenzie, by A. T. Gorfe. 3s.

These old Welsh airs are well calculated for the purpose to which Mr. Gorfe has here converted them; and the judgment displayed in his choice, is well seconded by the taste and fancy exhibited in the variations and embellishments. The exercise of both hands has been attended to; and we think the publication will be found valuable by those who seek the readiest means of manual improvement.

Six Divertiments for two Violins; composed, and dedicated to Edward Dickenson, Esq. by F. Yaniewicz. 6s.

Mr. Yaniewicz, in order to give popularity to these *divertiments*, has introduced into each some well known and admired airs; among the selections of his taste we find "Mama mia;" "Ametuthe le belle;" "Little Peggy's Love;" and "The Caledonian Beauty." The passages are mostly attractive; and the combinations of the two parts are so highly ingenious, as to reflect much credit on the author's judgment and experience in this cast of instrumental composition.

Elegy on the Death of the Duke D'Engbien, written by a Lady of Fashion; composed, with an Accompaniment for the Piano-forte, by I. D. Winter. 1s. 6d.

We find in this elegy some pleasing, appropriate, and affecting passages. The accent, we are, however, obliged to observe, is not uniformly correct. In the word *illustrations*, and in all similarly-formed derivatives, the two latter syllables are, in poetry, considered but as one; a rule to which the author of the present lines has strictly adhered, but which the composer has sometimes neglected; and, in the word *Europe*, the second syllable is unfortunately given to an accented note. Much praise is still due to the general merit of the composition, and we do not doubt its meeting a favourable reception.

La Colombe Repérée, an Air for the Piano-forte, with or without additional Keys; composed and dedicated to Miss H. C. by J. Mugnié. 1s 6d.

Mr. Mugnié has formed, from this pleasing air, an excellent and useful exer-

cise for the piano-forte. Many of the passages are happily calculated for the improvement of the finger; and the union of the digressive with the original matter bespeaks much taste in arrangement.

A Divertimento for the Piano-forte or Pedal-harp; composed by M. A. Bryan. 2s. 6d.

This divertimento comprises a march, *maestoso*, a *pastorale*, *andantino*; a *cantabile* movement in common time; and a *rondo*, *vivace*, in six quavers. A diversity of effect is of course produced, and we may certainly add a diversity of talent; for the ideas are as pleasing as they are various; and the light and shade distributed through the whole, evince great knowledge of effect, and a judgment well matured by study.

"Lady Mary Douglass," a favourite Scotch Air; arranged as a Rondo for the Piano forte, by T. Powell 2s.

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MR. Penton's improvement consists in a new method of raising and lowering the cotton wick, an operation which is usually performed by a rack and pinion, or wire, and is attended with this inconvenience, that as the cotton burns away, the rack or wire, employed to raise the wick, remains above the flame. The means invented to remove this defect, are by the application of a chain and pulley, variously contrived, instead of the wire, or rack and pinion—and which may be thus described:

A cylindric tube contains the ring to which the cotton wick is fastened: it has a slit on one side to suffer the wick-holder to move up and down by means of little chains: one end of each chain is fastened to the ring of the wick-holder, and the other ends in the groove of the pulley, so situated as, when moved round, it will raise or lower the wick the full length required. The pulley is fixed on a small arm of metal, which is projected from the cylinder so as to admit of the pulley and chain behind it to work freely.

On the axis of the pulley a button is fixed, by the turning of which the chains move over two pivots or rollers, fixed near the top of the tube, and on a pivot or roller projecting from a ring fixed on the inside of the tube at the bottom. By this means the wick is raised or lowered at pleasure, by turning the button with the thumb and finger.

The same effect may be produced by means of a single chain, the weight of the cotton-holder being sufficient to carry it self down. Catgut, thread, or any other flexible material, may be used instead of a chain.

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MR. JAMES THOMSON'S (EDINBURGH) for certain IMPROVEMENTS in hanging BELLS, WINDOW-CURTAINS, WINDOW and other BLINDS, &c.

The principle of this invention consists in substituting a balance or lever, to answer instead of springs. Without the aid of figures, which are attached to this specification, it would be in vain to attempt a minute description of Mr. Thomson's improvements. We are however informed, that during thirty years constant practice, he has endeavoured to improve the art of bell-hanging: he never liked the common mode of making the machinery perform by virtue of a spring or springs, the power of which being so uncertain, as to the strength to be applied to every situation or weight of work to be done; their liability to break, and losing their power after being some time in use, led Mr. Thomson to contrive something more simple and less liable to go wrong: and he says, that "After considerable study and expence, I think I have attained the end (as far as possible, on a new principle, which will be the means of introducing that fine or easy motion in the bell hanging art, so much wanted) by substituting a balance or lever, instead of springs; the powers of which are described in the specification of the drawings of the apparatus; by which it will appear that the bell hanger has it in his power, to a very great nicety, to give just the proper power to whatever work may be required to be done, and that power not liable to go wrong, or fail."

Remark.—Notwithstanding this flattering account, as given by the patentee, we have considerable doubts how far this invention will prove superior to the art of bell-hanging by means of springs. This business, when well executed, is not liable

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liable to get out of repair; and in those cases in which copper wire is used, there is but little danger either of its going to decay or breaking.

MR. YOUNGER'S (OLD-STREET) for a METHOD of extracting WORTS from MALT, BARLEY, and other GRAIN and SUBSTANCES.

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Observations by the patentee.—It is an advantage in this mode of mashing, that the pores of the grain are so completely

opened by the maceration in cold water, that on a quick application of heat, every particle of the saccharine matter may be extracted, and nothing left but the mere husks. The quantity of coals used in this mode of operation is not greater than is consumed in the common way. Malt newly taken from the kiln, will not yield so much or so good wort, as that which has been for some time exposed to the atmosphere of the granary: the reason of which is, according to the patentee, that the former possesses no moisture, which acts as a conductor for the hot liquor; but the latter being mellowed by time, and having imbibed the moisture of the atmosphere, opposes less resistance to the introduction of the water into the particles of which the mash is composed.

We are disposed to think that the advantages Mr. Younger imputes to the mere moisture of the atmosphere, should rather be referred to the oxygen of the atmosphere.

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5	-	-	ditto	-	-	13	0	0
6	-	-	ditto	-	-	13	10	0
7	-	-	ditto	-	-	14	0	0
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And for every such carriage with two wheels 10s.

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By every person who shall sell any carriage chargeable with duty by this act, by way of auction, or on commission, in that part of Great Britain aforesaid, the annual duty of 5s.

By every such person, for every such carriage with four wheels, which he shall sell by auction, or on commission, 1l.

And for every such carriage with two wheels, which he shall sell by auction or on commission, 10s.

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Class 1.—The duties payable for all horses mares, and geldings, kept for the purpose of riding, or for the purpose of drawing any carriage chargeable with duty.

Number thereof.	Duty for each.
For 1	2 0 0
2	3 6 0
3	3 12 0
4	3 15 0
5	3 16 0
6	4 0 0
7	4 1 0
8	4 1 0
9	4 1 6
10	4 2 0
11	4 2 0
12	4 2 6
13	4 2 6
14	4 2 6
15	4 2 6
16	4 3 0
17	4 3 6
18	4 4 0
19	4 4 0
20 and upwards	4 5 0

Exemptions.—1. Any person who shall keep any horse, for the purpose of husbandry, or of drawing any carriage (except such as are liable to duty), or carrying burdens in the course of the trade or occu-

pation of the person to whom such horse shall belong, although such horse shall be used for riding, on the occasions hereinafter mentioned; viz. when returning from any place to which any load shall have been carried, or in going to any place from whence any load shall be to be brought back, or on account of having been used for riding to procure medical assistance, or to or from market, or to or from any place of public worship, or to or from any election of members of parliament, or any courts of justice, or any meeting of the commissioners of taxes.

2. Any person occupying a farm as tenant at rack rent, which shall be less than 70l. a year, and making a livelihood solely thereby; or any person occupying any estate on any other tenure solely, or such estate, together with a farm at rack rent, the value of which in the whole shall be less than equivalent to a farm at the rack rent of 70l. a year (reckoning every estate occupied by the owner, or on any tenure other than that at rack rent, as equivalent to double the amount of the like farm at rack rent), and making a livelihood solely thereby, and using occasionally for the purpose of riding any horse, which shall be *bonâ fide* kept and usually employed for husbandry.

3. Any person occupying a farm, and making a livelihood solely thereby, or any person carrying on a trade, and making a livelihood solely thereby; or making a livelihood by such occupation and trade jointly; or any ecclesiastical person not possessed of an annual income of 100l. whether arising from ecclesiastical preferment or otherwise, for one horse, used only for the purpose of drawing any taxed cart.

Class 2.—The duties payable on horses let to hire.

For every horse let to hire for the purpose of riding, or of drawing any carriage for any time less than one year, in any manner, so that the stamp office duty shall not be payable, 2l.

To be charged on the person letting the same.

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For every horse, mare, or gelding, *bonâ fide*, kept for the purpose of racing or running for any plate, prize, or sum of money, or other thing, or kept in training for any of the said purposes, whether in the stables of the proprietor, or of any other person, 2l.

The duty to be charged on the person having the custody of such horses.

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Class 1.—The duties payable for all horses, mares, and geldings, not charged as aforesaid, and also on mules.

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Class 2.—The duties payable on husbandry horses, in the cases after-mentioned.

Any person occupying a farm at rack rent, which shall be less than 20l. a year, and making a livelihood solely thereby, or occupying any estate on any other tenure than at rack rent solely, or such other estate, together with a farm at rack rent, the value of which in the whole shall be less than equivalent to a farm at the rack rent of 20l. a year (reckoning the value of every estate occupied by the owner, or on any tenure other than as tenant at rack rent, as equivalent to double the amount of the like farm at rack rent), and making a livelihood solely thereby by such his own estate; or by such estate and farm jointly, or principally thereby, and likewise a profit by any trade or employment, and keeping not more than two horses, mares, geldings, or mules, *bonâ fide* for the purpose of such occupation, shall be charged for each the sum of 2s. 6d.

Any person occupying in like manner a farm at rack rent in Wales or Scotland, the rent of which shall be less than 10l. sterling a-year, and keeping not more than two, shall be charged for each the sum of 2s. 6d.

DOGS.

For every greyhound, hound, pointer, setting dog, spaniel, lurcher, or terrier, and for every dog of whatever description, where any person shall keep two or more, either for his own use, or the use of any other person, 10s.

For every dog not being a greyhound, hound, setting dog, spaniel, lurcher, or terrier, kept by any person having one such dog and no more, whether kept for his own use, or the use of any other person, 6s.

Persons in respect of the whole number of hounds, who shall compound for the same, in any year within thirty days after the 5th of April, and pay thirty pounds to such collector, are exempted.

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Every person who shall exercise the business of a horse dealer within London and Westminster, and the liberties of the same, the parishes of St. Mary-le-bone and St. Pancras, in the county of Middlesex, the weekly bills of mortality, or the borough of Southwark, the annual duty of 20l.

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In any other part of England, or in Wales, or the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, the annual duty of 10*s.*

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By every such person chargeable any duty made payable by this act, for any coach or other carriage, the annual sum of 2*l.* 2*s.*

By every such person not chargeable for any such coach or other carriage, but who shall be chargeable to any of the duties on inhabited houses, or to the duties on houses, windows, or lights, the annual sum of 2*l.* 1*s.*

By every such person not chargeable for any such coach or other carriage, not being chargeable to the said duties on inhabited houses, or to the duties on houses, windows, or lights, the annual sum of 3*s.* 6*d.*

"The said duties to be paid by every person having used, or caused to be used any armorial bearing or ensign, by whatever name the same is called, within the year preceding, and to extend to every person who within the said period shall have been possessed of, or shall have kept or had any coach or other carriage, or any seal, plate, or other article, on which any armorial bearing or ensign shall have been painted, engraved, marked, or affixed; and whether such armorial bearing shall be registered in the college of arms or not."

GENERAL EXEMPTIONS IN RESPECT OF OFFICIAL PERSONS USUALLY RESIDENT IN IRELAND.

"All persons, members of either house of the parliament of the united kingdom, whether on the part of Ireland, or for any place in Great-Britain, and who shall have ordinarily resided in Ireland previous to the commencement of the session in which they shall serve; and all persons ordina-

rily resident in Ireland, and holding offices or public employments in Ireland, and residing in Great Britain, with the approbation, or by the order of the lord lieutenant or other chief governor of Ireland, or of his chief secretary, and which shall be certified under the hand of the lord lieutenant, chief governor, or his chief secretary, to be therein resident for the purposes of assisting in the execution of public business, shall be wholly discharged and exempted from the duties in the schedules (C), (D), (E), and (G), provided that this exemption shall not extend to any person ordinarily resident in Ireland aforesaid, being a member of either house of parliament, who shall reside in Great Britain longer than during the session, and forty days before and forty days after each session, nor to any article on which a duty is by this act made payable, which shall be kept, employed, or used by such person in Great Britain, during the residence of such person in Ireland: also, this exemption shall not extend to any person ordinarily resident in Ireland, holding an office or public employment in Ireland, unless the approbation in writing, or such order of the lord-lieutenant, or other chief governor of Ireland, or of his chief secretary, and a description of the place of abode in Great Britain of the persons holding such offices or employments, be delivered into the office for the affairs of taxes in Somerset-place, within twenty days after the 5th of April, 1804, with respect to persons then in Great-Britain, or within thirty days after the arrival in Great Britain of such persons who shall hereafter arrive: also, no person shall, for the purposes of claiming this exemption, be deemed to be ordinarily resident in Ireland, unless he shall reside therein during such portion of the year as is not covered by the privilege herein provided: and for the better ascertaining the fact of such residence, every person claiming the benefit of this exemption, shall verify the same upon oath (if required) before the commissioners acting in the district."

STATE

STATE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS, *In June, 1804.*

FRANCE

HAS been lately the scene of events the most extraordinary, which have lately passed in Europe. Generals Pichegru, Moreau, and Georges were, upon a charge of conspiracy against the life and government of Bonaparte, suddenly arrested at Paris, with forty-five other persons, accused as their accomplices. On pretence that their papers afforded evidence of a participation of the Duke d'Enghien and other emigrants, in the territories of the Elector of Baden, in the designs against the Consul's life and power, that prince and his friends were, outrageously, and against the laws of nations, seized by a detachment of French troops, and dragged to Paris. The Duke d'Enghien was, almost instantly on his arrival, shot, by Bonaparte's orders! The rest were detained for trial. The British Envoys at the courts of Munich and Stuttgart, Mr. Drake and Mr. Spencer Smith, were accused as accomplices in the same conspiracy; and, by Bonaparte's influence, were obliged to withdraw from those courts.

These steps quickly appeared to be but preparations for a new change in his condition which Bonaparte had for some time meditated. His Senate was made soon after to propose that, as the best means to save himself and the state from the danger of future conspiracies, he should assume the title and dignity of EMPEROR!! That this dignity should be made hereditary in the male line of his family. The First Consul readily agreed to a proposal so flattering. A plan of a new imperial constitution for the government of France, was immediately fixed by a decree of the Senate. Without delay, or the affectation of reluctance, Bonaparte has therefore assumed the state and title of Emperor of the French. He has accepted, at the same time, from the Italian Republic, the title and honours of its hereditary sovereign. His brothers have been declared princes of the blood. New dignities and official titles were, at the same time, created for many of his favourites among the officers of the army. His Majesty has received addresses on his elevation from the officers and soldiers of the whole French armies. He has sent notice of his exaltation to all the French ambassadors and envoys at foreign courts; and has directed them to notify to the princes and states, at whose

seats of government they reside, that he must henceforth be addressed and respected as an Emperor. Only the dependent governments of Holland and Switzerland are however known to have as yet recognized him in his newly-assumed dignity.

At Paris, in the mean time, General Moreau, Georges, and the other persons arrested as conspirators, have been tried, have been found almost all more or less guilty, and have been condemned to various punishments. Only Georges and a few of those who were deemed the most active, have been condemned to death. Georges boldly avowed his attachment to the house of Bourbon; but denied that there was any arranged conspiracy against Bonaparte. The illustrious MOREAU is to suffer an imprisonment for two years. One of the Polignacs, who was among those condemned to death, has since obtained his pardon.

All the information from the coast of France signifies, that a great number of vessels, troops, guns, ammunition, and other stores, are now in readiness, in the French ports on the Channel, for the invasion of this country. The French make frequent trials to meet the fire of the English squadrons which block their ports; sometimes with a lucky escape from the entire destruction of their flotillas; but never without considerable damage.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE

Has, in the mean time, received several new accessions of dominion in the east and the west. Scindia and the Rajah of Berar have, in the east, accepted peace on such conditions as the East India Company chose to dictate. They have, respectively, made large cessions of territory. They have not only lost the authority of the Peishwah of the Mahratta nation in that independence of themselves, and that dependence on the British company, in which it was put by one treaty of Bassem; but they have also subjected themselves wholly to British influence, and have agreed to dismiss all Frenchmen in their service, and not again to receive others, without permission from their British allies.

In the West Indies, an armament from Barbadoes has taken the Dutch settlement of Surinam, the sugar which will now be supplied to the

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England. The Dutch troops did not surrender without resistance; and bloodshed ensued; yet the conquest was effected without any considerable loss of lives.

At home, the contentions for ministerial power have been again fiercely renewed. Instead of those military measures by which the late moderate and respectable administration endeavoured effectually to provide for the defence of the country and the future support of its greatness, Mr. Pitt, immediately after his return to office, introduced into Parliament, a bill for what he calls the general defence; of which it is the object, to reduce our whole military force to the three species, of militia, reserve, and troops of the line; to confine the strength of the English militia to the old number of 40,000; to add to the reserve, the excess of the present full complement of the militia, over that number; to allow the soldiers from the reserve, a bounty of ten guineas a man for enlistment into the line; to oblige the different parishes to raise for bounties of twelve guineas a man, the recruits necessary to supply that diminution in the numbers of the reserve, which shall be annually occasioned by death, enlistment in the line, or other casualties; and, to carry on the ordinary recruiting for the line at a bounty that must not exceed sixteen guineas a man; but to accept fines from those parishes which shall fail to raise of themselves their respective quotas of recruits. His plan was introduced into the House of Commons with extraordinary parade. It was, however, shewn, in the discussions which it excited, to be neither new in its general conceptions, nor free from many remarkable imperfections. Its author, to remove the objections of those who opposed it, has amended it almost to the entire change of its essential nature, and, certainly, so as to destroy some part of its merits in its original state. It has passed through the House of Commons, after the sharpest debates that have lately taken place; and after a division, in the first instance, of 214 against 186, and of 265 against 223, in the second, which ran so near against the minister, that a man less tenacious than Mr. PITT of his opinions' and power, would have been driven from office. In the House of Lords, the same bill has been the subject also of warm debate, and of a division of 154 against 69. No doubt remains of the certainty that, unpopular as it is, it will now pass into a law.

Mr. Wilberforce has most honourably re-

newed his exertions in parliament, to procure an abolition of the slave trade. By the voice of a respectable majority, a bill to authorize the termination of that infamous traffic in the month of October, this very year, has been brought into the House of Commons, and is now in its progress into a law. We believe, that it is encouraged chiefly on account of the danger of increasing the number of the Negroes now in the West Indies, while the great island of St. Domingo remains, as at present, in the independent possession of that race.

The health of his Majesty has been of late somewhat convalescent, but is still in a condition in which it is, by his physicians, thought fit that he should live as much in retirement as may be possible, from the anxiety and fatigue of state-affairs.

By the issue of the contests in parliament, on the subject of Mr. PITT's Defence-bill, it has become probable, that this country may not immediately obtain the advantages of the official services of the exalted, penetrating, and experienced mind of CHARLES JAMES FOX. The disappointment has, for the moment chilled the patriotism of many of the most zealous and virtuous friends to their country, into a sullen, desponding indifference.

Along the coasts of Britain and France, our fleets are in constant vigilance and activity. In a late engagement on the Dutch coast, with a great number of those small armed vessels, which the French and their allies have prepared to invade us, Sir SIDNEY SMITH drove them back upon their own shores with great loss, and in an exceedingly shattered condition. It seems to have clearly shewn, that all the small craft, gun-boats, and other armed vessels, which the enemy have prepared for the threatened invasion, can never be put to any other use against us, with any considerable effect, than that of floating batteries, merely for the defence of the basins of their own ports, and the shallows on their own coasts.

RUSSIA, DENMARK, SWEDEN, AUSTRIA,
PRUSSIA,

And all the other powers of Germany and the North, are much dissatisfied with France, and with the outrage on the Duke D'Enghien, yet reluctant to renew a continental war; perhaps incapable of effective coalition; and likely to prefer reconciliation with Bonaparte, if they may find their advantage in it, to any chance of success in hostilities against him.

An ACCOUNT, shewing how the PUBLIC MONIES remaining in the RECEIPT of the EXCHEQUER on the 5th DAY of JANUARY, 1803, together with the MONIES paid into the same during the YEAR ending the 5th DAY of JANUARY, 1804, and the MONIES paid out of the NET PRODUCE of the REVENUES of the said YEAR, in ANTICIPATION of the EXCHEQUER RECEIPT; together with the AMOUNT of the EXCHEQUER, NAVY, and TRANSPORT BILLS issued, and not redeemed, during the said YEAR, have been actually applied.

HEADS OF EXPENDITURE.	£.	HEADS OF EXPENDITURE.	£.
I. For interest, &c. on the permanent debt of Great-Britain, unredeemed; including annuities for lives and terms of years	16,615,859	V. The other payments in anticipation of the Exchequer Receipt; viz.	
For interest, &c. on loans raised for the service of Ireland.....	669,390	Bounties, for fisheries, manufactures, corn, &c.	305,379
For interest, &c. on Imperial loans	433,695	Pensions on the hereditary revenue	27,700
There was also applied towards the reduction of the national debt	1,000,000	Militia and deserters warrants, &c.	108,405
The usual annual grant	200,000		
Expired annuities, 54,880l.— 25,000l.	79,880	VII. The Navy; viz.	
Annuities for lives, expired, or unclaimed for three years	49,151	Salaries to the admiralty, navy, and navy pay offices	56,000
Interest on debt of Great-Britain redeemed	2,138,183	For wages, boun'y, flag pay, half pay, and pensions	2,113,506
Ditto Ireland ditto..	36,872	For dock yards, building of ships, stores, pilotage, contingencies, &c.	2,182,396
Ditto Imperial ditto..	11,383	For marine service on shore....	287,000
Annuity at 11. per cent on part of capitals created since 5th January, 1793	2,772,469	The victualling department ..	2,489,929
	24,016,85	The sick and wounded ditto ..	142,000
Whereof was applied towards the reduction of the national debt..	6,287,941	The transport ditto, for transports ..	639,045
TOTAL on account of interest..	17,728,944	For prisoners of war in health ..	30,000
Ditto charges of management ..	247,538	Miscellaneous services	40,000
Ditto on account of reduction of national debt	6,287,941		
	24,264,424	VIII. The ordnance	1,827,049
II. The Interest on exchequer bills	803,787		
III. The civil list	898,000	IX. The army.—Ordinary services; viz.	
IV. The other charges on the consolidated fund; viz.		For regulars, fencibles, militia, invalids, and volunteer corps	6,275,522
Courts of justice	50,038	Barracks	1,021,269
Mint	13,858	Staff officers and officers of garrisons	108,976
Allowances to the royal family, pensions, &c.	287,645	Half pay	263,203
Salaries and allowances	93,544	Widows' pensions	24,000
Bounties	2,956	Chelsea hospital	324,860
V. The civil government of Scotland	79,502	Exchequer fees	53,404
		Pay of public offices	63,079
		Extraordinary Services	3,165,092
		X. Loans, remittances, and advances to other countries:	
		Ireland	2,117,444
		XI. Miscellaneous services:	
		At home	2,555,859
		Abroad	244,641
		Deduct loan for Ireland	52,957,521
			2,117,44
		* £	50,840,02

* This includes the sum of 449,509l. for interest paid on imperial loans.

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An ACCOUNT of the MONIES paid out of the RECEIPT of his MAJESTY'S EXCHEQUER, in the YEAR ending the 5th of JANUARY, 1804, towards satisfying the CHARGES of the PUBLIC FUNDED DEBT of GREAT BRITAIN, IRELAND, and IMPERIAL LOANS; distinguishing the TOTAL AMOUNT of the SUMS applied for INTEREST, CHARGES of MANAGEMENT, SUMS applicable to its REDUCTION, and the usual GRANTS for the same PURPOSE.

	INTEREST	Annuities for lives and terms of years.	Charges of management.
Permanent debt of Great-Britain, unredeemed ..	£. 15,054,257	£. 1,561,601	£. 230,077
Loans raised for Ireland	656,390	13,000	11,647
Imperial loans	213,695	230,000	5,814
	15,924,343	1,804,601	247,538
	1,804,601	247,538	
	17,976,483		
TOWARDS THE REDUCTION OF THE PUBLIC DEBT:			
Annual issue by act 26 Geo. III.	1,000,000		
Ditto - 42 Ditto	200,000		
Annuities for terms of years expired, prior to the 5th July, 1802	79,880		
Annuities for lives, on which the nominees are certified to have died prior to 5th July, 1802, or that have been unclaimed for three years	49,151		
Interest on debt of Great Britain redeemed	2,133,183		
Ditto - Ireland ditto	36,872		
Ditto - Imperial ditto	11,383		
Annuity at 11. per cent on part of capitals created since 5th January, 1793	2,772,469		
	24,264,424		

An ACCOUNT of the TOTAL AMOUNT of the SUMS actually received by the COMMISSIONERS for the REDUCTION of the NATIONAL DEBT, in the YEAR ending the 5th JANUARY, 1804.

GREAT BRITAIN.	£.	IRELAND.	£.
Annual issue, by 26 Geo. III..	1,000,000	11. per cent. on capitals created by loans raised from 1797 to 1803, both inclusive	232,889
Ditto - by 42 Geo. III..	200,000	Dividends on 31. per cent. annuities	36,872
99 and 96 annuities	54,80		
Expired and unclaimed annuities	49,151	IMPERIAL.	
Short annuities, 1777.....	25,000	11. per cent. on the capital created by the Imperial loan, 1797	36,693
Dividends on 31. per cent. annuities	2,033,487	Dividends on Imperial 31. per cent. annuities	11,383
Ditto on 41. per cent. annuities	104,696		
11. per cent. on part of capitals created by loans raised from 1793 to 1803, both inclusive	2,502,887		6,287,941

**ALPHABETICAL LIST of BANKRUPTCIES and DIVIDENDS announced between
the 20th of May and the 20th of June, extracted from the London Gazettes.**

BANKRUPTCIES.

The Solicitors' Names are between Parentheses.

- ASHBY, William, Hog lane, currier, (partner with William Stapley.) (Benton, Swan yard, Borough) Ascough, James, Leeds, woolstapler. (Sykes and Knowles, Soho) Ascough, George, Gervaux, woolstapler. (Sykes and Knowles, Soho) Briggs, Henry, Belvidere place, St. George's fields, horse dealer. (Benton, Southwark) Bally, Stephen, Bristol, salesman. (Sandys, Horton, and Trevenen, Crane court) Birkett, George, Kendall, brandy merchant. (Wright and Bovill, Chancery lane) Bicknell, John, Little Maddox street, dealer in artificial flowers. (Davies, Warwick street, Golden square) Burges, James, Coventry street, military hatter. (Roffe, King street, Holborn) Coote, Thomas, Norwich, ironmonger. (Swaine and Stevens, Old Jewry) Chippendale, Thomas, St. Martin's lane, upholsterer. (Burges, Curzon street) Curling, Edward, Margate, hoyman. (Mawley, Tottenham street) Colville, Thomas and James Holmes, Liverpool, merchants. (Windle, Bartlett's buildings, Holborn) De la Chaumette, Francis David, Laytonstone, insurance broker. (Gregson, Angel court, Throgmorton street) Ethil, David, Kingston upon Hull, diaper. (Scott, St. Mildred's court, Poultry) Evans, George, Hatfield place, Surrey, builder. (Goodmond, Crescent, Blackfriars) Fletcher, John, Warrington, and John Lodge Hubberthy, Lincoln's inn, cotton spinners. (Blackstock, Temple Field, William, Old Swan Stairs, merchant. (Willis, Warrford court) Field, George, Old Swan Stairs, merchant, partner with W. Field, of the same place, and with Charles Field, of St. Petersburgh. (Willis, Warrford court, Throgmorton street) Gedde, William, Leicester square, linen draper. (Cannon, Leicester place) Grinter, Thomas, New Bond street, auctioneer. (Harper, Vine street, Piccadilly) Harre, William, and Henry Suthmier, Denmark street, Ratcliffe highway, sugar refiners. (Kyll, Tower Royal) Hall, John, Wapping High street, taylor. (Alliston, Swan street, Minories) Hennerson, Robert, Bridgewater square, pocket book maker. (Sherwin, Great James street, Bedford row) Holmes, Joseph Whiting, Portsea, ironmonger. (Callaway, Portlmouth) Jones, Richard Hodgson, Stourbridge, clothier. (Edmonds, Binopsgate street without) Kemp, John Rice, Hailemere, victualler. (Wilshen, Gray's inn square) Key, Thomas, Bury St. Edmund's, linen draper. (Nicholls and Nettleship, Queen street, Cheapside) Knight, Thomas, Canterbury, shopkeeper. (Swaine and Stevens, Old Jewry) Ludlow, William, Killworth, Wilts, wine merchant. (King, Newbury) Lewis, John, Tynnyddol, drover and horse dealer. (Edmunds and Son, Lincoln's inn) Levington, Thomas, St. Catherine's, Tower, fopsteller. (Burd, King's Bench walk, Temple) Mackenzie, Matthew, Fleet Street, vintner. (Barman, Wine office court) Macavoy, Alexander, London, merchant, surviving partner of Thomas William Fortnum. (Williams and Rawlinson, Chatham place) Monk, William, St. and, trus maker. (Atkinson, Cattle street, Falcon square) Maclean, Charles, Beaufort buildings, merchant. (Davis, Essex street, Strand) Nichols, Samuel, jun. Bath, upholsterer. (Pearson, Pump court, Temple) Page, John, Worcester, hop merchant. (Platt, Bride court) Percival, Jones, Croydon, stablekeeper. (Burt, Gould square) Plumleigh, Thomas, Bristol, grocer. (Kinderley, Long, and Ince, Symond's inn) Parrott, John, Ratcliffe highway, victualler. (Holloway, Chancery lane) Pickernell, Jonathan, Sunderland, dealer. (Atkinson and Morgan, Austin friars) Riley, Richard, Mansfield, maltster. (Robins, Gray's inn place) Rimmer, William, Ormskirk, innkeeper. (Broad, Southwark) Roberts, Richard, St. Paul's Church yard, victualler. (Holloway, Chancery lane) Sixton, John, Thacker, Chesterfield, printer and bookseller. (Thomas, Chesterfield) Southcote, John Henry, Stoke Fleming, lime merchant. (Taunton, Temple) Stockley, William, Haymarket, shoeling smith. (Evitt and Smith, Haydon square, Minories) Smith, Robert, Timberlane, grocer. (Lucket, Basinghall street)

- Strange, Edward Hilder, Frant, grocer. (Blandford and Sweet, King's Bench walk) Thompson, Robert, South Shields, malt maker. (Hall and Bell, Bow lane) Winder, Jeremiah, Chorlby, timber merchant. (Blackstone, Temple) Warner, John, Elmdon, shopkeeper. (Cutting, Bartlett's buildings) Wren, Robert, Petersfield, sellmonger. (Wilshen, Gray's inn square) Witherell, John, Long Acre, coachmaker. (King, Mead street, Soho) Watson, Samuel, Blakeney, corn merchant. (Wright and Bovill, Chancery lane) Williamson, Robert, Rokhill, butcher. (Dyneley and Sons, Gray's inn) Williams, Thomas Smith, Mincing lane, ship broker. (Swaine and Stevens, Old Jewry) Wood, Thomas, Ro's, woolstapler. (Hill, Meredith, and Robins, Gray's inn) Waters, James, South End, victualler. (Ponle, Serjeant's inn) Wood, Thomas, Manchester, and William Jackson, Easingwold, cotton spinners. (Hurd, King's Bench walk, Temple)

DIVIDENDS.

- Allen, William, Birmingham, druggist and grocer. July 3 Aldis, James, and Charles Atkinson, Littleport, shopkeepers, June 30, final Bawtree, Samuel, jun. Crescent, Minories, cornfactor. July 3 Brown, Matthew, St. John's square, printer. June 30 Burton, Edmund, Daventry, money scrivener. June 7 Bridgeman, John, Church court, Lothbury, merchant. July 3 Beauchamp, Robert, and Edward Lloyd, Kirby street, facemen. July 3 Banner, Thomas Porter, Nicholas lane, insurance broker. July 3 Bird, Henry, Clifton, shoemaker. June 30 Buck, William, St. Mary at Hill, merchant, &c. July 4 Bingley, Thomas, Basinghall street, factor. July 24 Brain, George, Bristol, merchant. July 4 Burnett, Samuel, Petersfield, victualler. July 10 Booth, Edward, Manchester, butcher. July 12, final Collingdon, John, Plough court, Lombard street, merchant. May 29 Curtis, James, and Honor Pitt Griffin, Ludgate hill, oil and colour merchants. July 3 Croftkey, Duncan, and Richard Westall, (late partners with James Fell) Basinghall street, Blackwell hall factors. June 23 Casamajor, Henry, Tochington, William Wansey, and William Barnes, Bristol, merchants, final of the joint estate, and of the separate estate of Barnes Clark, Francis, Barnet wine merchant. July 3 Carr, Thomas, Gomersall, cotton spinner. July 3, final Clegg, Charles, Milne row, woollen manufacturer. June 29 Curtis, James, Oxford, wine merchant. July 4, final Crosbie, William, jun. and John Greenwood, Liverpool, merchants. July 2 Cafe Samuel, Fleet street, haberdashers. July 18, final Cooper John, sen. and John Cooper, jun. Sevenoaks, coopers. July 7 Draper James, Sherrard street, cabinet maker. June 30, final Day, James, Oxford street, linen draper. July 7 Davies, Richard, Shrewsbury, porter merchant. July 4, final Duckett George, Middlesex street, Somers' Town, timber merchant. July 4 Davis John, Waddingford, wine and brandy merchant. June 30 Dulhunty Mary, and Anne Baker, Sackville street, milliners. July 3 Dimmock Moif, Winchester, bookseller. July 7 Edwards William, New Bond street, goldsmith. June 23 Eyatt Joseph, Rood lane, glazier. June 31 Edwards Joseph, Peter street, Bloomsbury, plumber. July 3 Fell William, St. Martin's lane, taylor. July 7 Forbes George, Copthall court, Throgmorton street, merchant. July 3 Fry William, Bury court, St. Mary Axe, merchant. July 2, final Finer Frederick Michael, Barbican, jeweller. July 7 Gaiton Edward, Ilford, innkeeper. June 26 Grove Peter, Snarebrook baker. July 4 Green Edward, Charl's street, Soho, man's mercer. July 7 Harrison John, Stoke upon Trent, cartwheel manufacturer. June 19 Head William, Timothy Head, R. H. Head, all of Wakefield, Joseph Head, King street, London, and Richard Foster, of Wakefield, merchant. June 24 Hitchin Abraham, Walgherton, miller. June 26, final Hitchin William, Haterton, corn dealer. June 26, final Hamilton James, and William Tuckington, Finch lane merchants, separate estate of Hampton, and separate estate of Tuckington. June 23, and August 4 Henderson Thomas, wine street, warehouseman. July 3 Hall Henry, Bircham lane, oilman. July 3

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Malwell Pritchard, Little Guildford street, carpenter and builder, July 3	Rowland Walter, Berwick, watchmaker. June 21, final
Harris Timothy, Waltham Holy Cross, penmaker, July 3	Rawley Joseph, Chancery lane, boot and shoemaker. August 28, final
Hoy James, Church lane, St. George's, bricklayer and builder, July 3	Rees William, and Henry Borradale, Bucklersbury, drapers. July 3
Hill Francis, Middleton, merchant, July 14	Robinson James, Liverpool, provision merchant. June 19, final
Jones John, Princes street, Spitalfields, underwriter, June 23	Richardson Benjamin, Long Acre, coachmaker. July 2,
Johnson Dudley, St. Paul's Church yard, trunk maker, July 17, final	Riley Samuel, Sowland, cotton spinner. July 13, final
Jones Thomas, and John Harrison, Ludlow, and High Holborn, London, wholesale glovers, July 3	Shepherd Joseph, Aldgate High street, linen draper, July 3
Jackson Josiah, William Lowe, Charles Johnson, James Shattootham, John Johnson, and James Leigh, Manchester, July 9	Sawyer John, and John Kettlewell, Leeds, merchants, June 20
Kershaw John, Wakefield, druggist. June 27, final	Sheriffs Joseph, Blackfriars road, linen draper. July 14
Lumb Solomon, Rutherford, cotton manufacturer. June 22	Stewart Robert, and William Stuart, Manchester, merchants, June 28
Lea Henry, Ropemaker's street, tobacconist. June 23	Sturges John, Northampton, dealer. July 3
Littler Joseph, St. Clement Danes, jeweller. July 2	Stevenson Robert, Fetter lane, cutler. July 3
Lowman John, Whitechurch, coachmaster, July 16	Swright David, Queen street, Cheapside, merchant. July 2
Levy Israel, Lambeth road, coal merchant. July 4	Stoney William, and John Smith, Leeds, grocers. July 9, final
Lance Christopher, and Peter Auber, Gould square, Crutched friars, flour factors, joint estate and separate estate of Lance. July 21	Sutton Charles, Liverpool, grocer. July 11
Langton Richard, Croft street, Cheshire, and Michael Gaffney, Cheetwood, cotton spinners, separate estate of Gaffney, August 2	Timmings John, Steward street, Spitalfields, silk broker, July 3, final
McCarthy George Packer, and Robert Walter Vaughan, Bristol, taylors, separate estate of McCarthy. June 23, final	Tappy Michael, Long Acre, bookseller. June 23
Morison Alexander Walbrook, merchant. June 9	Thurgood Thomas, Wellwyn, shopkeeper. June 23
Murray John, Shropshire lane, merchant. July 3	Towndrew John, Winnington, hawker and pedlar. July 16
Morrison Robert, Brickdale, Birmingham, button maker. July 6	Van Spangen Nicholas, Well street, Goodman's fields, merchant. June 23
Newlove Edward, Great Driffield, vintner. June 28	White Thomas, Southwark, haberdasher. June 23
Nicoll James Gavern, Hackney, bricklayer. July 3	Weaver William, Bow lane, warehouseman. June 23
Noble Isaac, Penrith, ironmonger and grocer. June 28, final	Ward William, Birmingham, grocer. June 16
Noble Nicholas, Berrier, dealer in butter and hams. June 29, final	Ward Joseph, Brentwood, publican. July 3
Osbalderton John, Southampton, baker. June 20	Wilson John Delver, George street, Mary-le-bonne, pawnbroker. June 26
Pitter Thomas, Je myn street, gold laceman. July 3	Williams John George, Marshall street, London road, merchant, July 3
Pilley Michael, Thorne, grocer. June 12	West John, Somer's place, East, plasterer. June 30
Prager Joseph, Norfolk street, grocer. June 26	Williams Henry, Crickhowell, money scrivener. July 2, final
Parrot, William Jackson, Leighton buzzard, wine merchant. July 14	Wilde James, John Watts, and John Body, sugar refiners, separate estate of Watts. June 23
	Walker William, Leeds, (partner with John Nicholson, of Medford in America) merchant, July 4
	Winter Joseph Combe Jr. Nicholas, leatherseller, July 7
	Wilkinson Joseph, Kingston upon Hull, blockmaker, final

LIST OF DISEASES IN LONDON,

From the 20th of May to the 20th of June.

Admitted under the Care of the Physicians of the Finsbury Dispensary.

	No. of Cases.
RUBEOLA	23
Chlorosis & Amenorrhœa	36
Menorrhagia	5
Leucorrhœa	2
Diarrhoea	13
Tussis et Dyspnoea	9
Phthisis Pulmonalis	4
Cynanche Torsillaris	6
Anasarca	8
Hysteria	6
Asthenia	48
Hypochondriasis et Dyspepsia	16
Morbi Infantiles	34
Morbi Cutanei	26

The warmth of the weather of late might be supposed likely to produce febrile diseases of a typhous description. But within the extent of the Reporter's district, it has been by no means so common as in former summers of his experience in London.

Cases of measles have been very numerous; the practice in this disease is simple, and the cure, when the proper practice is adopted, almost certain. Great attention ought to be paid to the state of

the lungs; independently of that local circumstance, the antiphlogistic regimen ought to be rigidly adhered to.

From a remote part of the island a person, a few days since, applied to the Reporter, in consequence of a cutaneous affection, which he was unwilling to make known at the place where he resided, from an erroneous notion, that it might be infectious, or at any rate not creditable.

Instead of ordering unguents to the skin, the writer prescribed merely a simple, tonic medicine to invigorate his habit, certain regulations with regard to diet and general conduct, and, as a circumstance of essential efficacy, the use, two or three times a week, of the tepid bath.

In these reports it often has been repeated, and never can too deeply be impressed, that it is not the exterior appearance, but the actual state of the internal frame that ought to guide the judgment and to regulate the conduct of the physician.

Diseases of the skin are amongst the most striking instances of the validity of this observation.

Observation. Upon the surface of the body, more especially in hot weather, when the secretion is more rapid, stratum upon stratum of filth is apt to accumulate, which, although not visible to the naked eye, produces, in addition to a sense of languor and other disagreeable feelings, febrile, and a multitude of cutaneous diseases. To the latter it is seldom that any external applications ought to be administered, but that of warm or cold water.

If cleanliness, in the most accurate and rigid sense of the word, were generally adopted, these complaints, and indeed a large proportion of other complaints, would be sensibly diminished, and perhaps exterminated altogether.

At this period it is a passion amongst the inhabitants of the metropolis to pay a temporary visit to the country; but it is a passion founded upon a false philosophy. An excursion in' o the country no doubt stimulates and enlivens; but, like other stimulants, it acts only for a short time, and appears to produce, in some cases, a similar exhaustion. It is a chimical idea, that you can lay up a stock of health for the winter; that is a species of property which cannot be funded.

There is a difference between *air* and *atmosphere*, since a multitude of mechanical particles, in many situations, mix with the latter, which do not form chemical components of the former. These heterogeneous ingredients are in this place owing, in a great measure, to effluvia from the manufactories, workshops, &c. of the city; on which account it is desirable for the inhabitants of that commercial district, when circumstances allow

of it, to seek for their hours of leisure and repose, an asylum in the more western parts of the metropolis.

After all, it is not the *atmosphere* nearly so much as the *habits* of London to which we are to attribute the diseases and comparative relaxation and debility of its inhabitants.

The writer does not flatter himself, that he is able, or if he were able, would he wish to give any check to the fashion of emigration.

To those who have no other occupation, that which assumes the name of amusement is of indispensable importance.

Occupation in fact, is every thing. It is an immutable decree of Providence, that no one can *enjoy*, who does not *act*; and that the health of our faculties of body, as well as mind, depends in a great measure upon the temperate and regular use of them.

The opinions of the Reporter may appear too positive. Decision is often called dogmatism. But no one can conscientiously, or if he be conscientious, comfortably practise medicine, who has any doubts with regard to the theory and application of the science.

To prescribe with a hesitating mind, is not less dangerous, than to operate with a trembling hand.

Scepticism in physic, as in other branches of study, indicates no superiority: but, on the contrary, betrays either a defect of knowledge, or an obscurity and inaccuracy of intellectual conception.

J. REID.

*Southampton Row,
Russell-square.*

MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN AND NEAR LONDON.

With Biographical Memoirs of distinguished Characters recently deceased.

The directors of the Royal Hospital, Greenwich, have lately ordered an increase in the number of seamen's sons, educated in the Hospital, by the admission of fifty more boys to the benefit of the establishment.

MARRIED.

Henry Hill, esq. of Wandsworth Common, to Miss Mitchell, of Abingdon-street, Westminster.

At St. Mary-le-bone church, Dr. Forde, esq. of Stowrey, Somerset, to Miss M. Beeston, of Manchester-street.

Mr. Fosbury, wine-merchant, of Billiter-lane, to Mrs. T. Thomas, of the hotel, Berkley-square.

At St. Dunstan, in the East, David For-

syth, esq. of St. Petersburgh, to Miss C. Jackson, of Idol-lane.

Major Francis Hastings Doyle, to Miss Milner, daughter of Sir William Milner, bart.

At Newington, Surrey, Richard Saumarez, esq. to Mrs. Hetherington, of Burrow's Buildings.

At St. James's church, Captain Gabriel, of the Hon. East India Company's Madras establishment, to Miss Harriet Court.

Capt. W. Hotham, of the royal navy, to Miss Jeynes, daughter of Sir Edwin Jeynes, of Gloucester.

At St. George's church, Frederic Grant, esq. of Red Lion-square, to Miss Wood, daughter

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daughter of Mr. Wood, of Store-street, Bedford-square.

At Greenwich, Capt. Thomas Downman, of the royal regt. of artillery, to Miss Lucy Holmes, third daughter of William Holmes, esq. of Westcombe Park, Kent.

At Christ church, Spital-fields, John Parland, esq. of St. Peterburgh, to Miss Eliza Forrester, of Spital-square.

At St. George's Bloomsbury, Mr. Richard Walford, merchant, of Watling-street, to Miss Berry, sister to Sir Edward Berry.

At St. Mary-le-bone church, Lieut. Charles Bowen, of the Royal Navy, to Miss Hardy, of Charlotte-street, Portland place.

Dr. Young, of Welbeck-street, to Miss Eliza Maxwell, second daughter of James Primrose Maxwell, esq. of Cavendish-square.

Capt. Tobin, of the royal navy, to Mrs. Duff, of Richmond, Yorkshire, widow of the late Major Duff, of the 56th regt. of foot.

At St. James's church, Piccadilly, John Osborne, esq. merchant of the city of London, to Mrs. H. Norton, widow of the late Capt. Norton, of the parish of St. James.

By special licence, at Lord Harborough's, in Arlington-street, William Tenant, esq. of Aston Hall, Staffordshire, to the Hon. Charlotte Pelham, fourth daughter of Lord Harborough.

At the Earl of Westmoreland's, the Right Hon. Lord Villiers, to the lovely and accomplished Lady Sarah Fane, with a fortune of nearly 100,000l.; and at the same place, Lord Boringdon, to Lady Augusta Fane, second daughter of the Earl of Westmoreland.

Lieut. Col. John Byng, of the 29th regt. of foot, and youngest brother of George Byng, esq. M.P. for Middlesex, to Miss Mary Stevens Mackenzie, eldest daughter of Peter Mackenzie, esq. of Twickenham.

Bartlett Bridger Sheldon, esq. of Gower-street, to Miss Goodrich, daughter of Bartlett Goodrich, esq. of Saling-grove, Essex.

B. Simon, esq. of Islington, to Miss Moorhouse, of the same place.

N. Middleton, esq. of St. James's-square, to Miss Emilia Purling, of New Cumberland-street.

At St. George's, Bloomsbury, Capt. H. Andrews, of the 24th Infantry, to Miss H. S. Murcott, only daughter of the late Capt. Murcott, R. N.

At Newington, Mr. Drake, of Portland-place, to Miss Hutton, of Romford.

The Rev J. H. Mitchell, rector of Buckland, Herts, to Miss M. Wagner, third daughter of the late G. Wagner, esq. of Duke-street, Westminster.

At Hampstead, Lieut. Guyon, of the royal navy, to Miss Debaufre.

Count Menuze di Garbagnote in Italy, to Madame de Malortie, of Mitcham, Surry.

Mr. Bingley, of Tavistock-street, to Miss Milner, of Yarmouth, in the county of Norfolk.

Mr. Keates, of Cheapside, to Miss F. For-

tunum, youngest daughter of Mr. Fortunum, of Piccadilly.

At Enfield, Mr. W. Read, surgeon, to Miss Elevy.

At Hornsea, Mr. R. Gear, of the East India-house, to Miss L. Dominicus, second daughter of E. Dominicus, esq.

Isaac Goldsmid, esq. of Finsbury-square, to Isabel, second daughter of Abraham Goldsmid, esq. of the same place.

At Hackney, Mr. Lawson, to Mrs. Higgs, widow of T. Higgs, esq. of London-house, Hackney.

Lieut. David Chambers, of the royal navy, to Miss Emma Catherine, the fourth daughter of J. Weyland, esq. of Grosvenor-street.

At St. George's church, Bloomsbury, Francis Parrott, esq. of Hawsbury-hall, near Coventry, to Miss Hewitt, eldest daughter of the late J. Hewitt, esq. of Coventry.

Mr. Edward Verner, of Cornhill, to Miss Anne Budden, daughter of Mr. W. Budden, of Great Surrey-road.

At St. Pancras, J. Munn, esq. of Chichester, to Miss Mary-Elizabeth Parker, of Howland-street, Fitzroy square, daughter of the late Capt. Parker, of the navy, and niece to the late Dr. Parker, rector of St. James's.

DIED.

At Brompton-grove, *Maria Louisa Françoise D'Esparres La Lusan, Comtesse De Polastron*. Her remains were deposited in a vault in St. Pancras church-yard, with great funeral pomp; the body being first embalmed and enclosed in a lead coffin, the outside of which was a case ornamented with great taste and splendour. The funeral procession moved along in the following order: Two mutes; four priests in their robes; two men bearing an urn, in which the heart of the deceased was inclosed; the body, with the pall supported by friends of the deceased; and eighteen mourners. Among the latter were several relations of the deceased, who were of the House of Bourbon, and the *dame du palais* to the late unfortunate Queen of France. The above funeral was, however, merely of a temporary nature, as the remains of the Countess are to be removed to Paris after the war, to be interred in the vaults of her ancestors.

Mrs. Catherine Brooks, wife of B. Brooks, esq. of Bedford-square, and daughter of Windsor Sandys, esq. late of Miserden Park. Her remains were interred in the family vault of the Sandys, in Miserden church, Gloucestershire.

At Highgate, in her 75th year, *Mrs. A. Pointer*.

At Islington, in her 80th year, *Mrs. Letitia Seagrave*, widow.

At Richmond, Surry, aged 71, *Mrs. Anne De Moivre*.

Suddenly, aged 65, *Mrs. Catherine Hudspeth*, of John-street, Blackfriars.

In Upper Berkeley-street, *Mrs. Elizabeth Farmer*,

Farmar, relict of the late Rev. Richard Farmar, of Cork, in Ireland.

In Pall Mall, in her 72d year, the relict of *Mrs. E. Edgar*, of the Red-house, Ipswich, Suffolk.

In Manchester-square, *Mrs. Mary Peters Fearon*.

In Dean-street, Audley-square, *Mrs. Hales*, sister of Sir Philip Hales, bart.

Of a painful and lingering illness, aged 18, *Miss Miller*, eldest daughter of Mr. Miller, of Highgate.

At her mother's house, in George-street, Hanover-square, *Miss Walker*, only daughter of the late R. Walker, esq. of Michael-grove Park, Essex.

Mr. Keates, livery-stable keeper, in Moor-fields. He went to dine at Southgate, and returned at a late hour; when on passing down the City Road, his horse fell with him, and Mr. Keates had the misfortune to fracture his skull. It was about one o'clock in the morning when the watchman found him, alive, but speechless; being taken to a house in the neighbourhood, he died about eight o'clock next morning.

At Hackney, in a fit of coughing, aged 69, *Handley Norris*, esq.

At his son's house in Piccadilly, aged 70, *Mrs. George Martin*, late of Mount-street, Grosvenor-square.

In North Audley-street, aged 71, *Mrs. J. Comte*.

In her 78th year, *Mrs. Twining*, of Essex-street, Strand.

At Clapton, suddenly, while sitting in her chair, *Mrs. Fuller*, wife of T. Fuller, esq.

In New Bond-street, in her 86th year, *Mrs. Elizabeth Kandler*.

In Harpur-street, *Miss S. Heywood*, daughter of Mr. Serjeant Heywood.

At his house, in Milk-street, Cheapside, *J. Neale*, esq. of Hackney.

Mr. John Ballard, of South-street, Grosvenor-square.

In Fitzroy-square, of a decline, *Louisa Young*, daughter of the late W. Franks, esq.

In Wells-row, Islington, aged 30, *Mrs. Watling*, wife of Mr. E. Utting Watling, merchant, late of Lower Tooting.

Aged 22, *Mrs. Clara Richings*, of Thavies-inn, Holborn.

At his mother's house, in Somerset-street, Portman-square, *Lieut. Col. Hunter*, of the 3d regiment of foot-guards.

At Whitton, aged 60, *Mr. Christopher Cuppage*, of Castle-street, Piccadilly, secretary to the Royal Military Asylum at Chelsea, and many years secretary to the Royal Free-masons School.

At Brompton, *Mrs. V. Heythuyson*, wife of Richard Van. Heythuyson, esq. of Upper Guildford-street, near Russel-square.

In Great Cumberland-place, the infant son of *Lord Rous*.

At his father's house on Highbury-terrace, Islington, *George Fish*.

At Highgate, aged 77, *Mrs. Holmes*.

Of a decline, in York-place, aged 37, *Mrs. M. Hand*, wife of Mr. W. Hand, the Chancery solicitor.

In Meard's-street, Soho, *James Berry*, esq. attorney.

Mr. J. Strong, of North-row, Park-lane, stable-keeper.

In her 26th year, *Mrs. Wilmot*, wife of Mr. J. Wilmot, stationer, in the borough.

At her house, No. 17, George-street, Adelphi, *Mrs. Rastruk*, wife of Mr. J. Rastruk, civil engineer.

At Enfield, aged 45, *Mr. Edward Cooper*, formerly a grocer in Southwark, opposite St. Thomas's hospital.

At Kennington, aged 50, *Mr. Crabb*, oil-man, at the corner of Hatton-street, Holborn.

By shooting himself, aged 19, *Mr. Wm. Ellis*, son of Mr. Ellis, grocer, of Holborn.

At Kensington, aged 72, the Hon. W. Jackson, many years chief justice, &c. of the island of Jamaica.

At Egremont-house, Piccadilly, in his 45th year, *Richard Slater*, esq. of Fryston, near Ferrybridge, M. P. for the city of York, in three last parliaments, and provincial Grand-master of Free-masons, for the province of York. His loss will be severely felt by the poor, to whom he was a liberal benefactor; by his family, to whom his affectionate attention rendered him deservedly dear; and by his friends, who sincerely esteemed him for his good sense, genuine politeness, and inflexible integrity.

Mrs. M. Davies, of Thames Ditton, widow of the late Mr. T. Davies, hop-merchant.

At Hammersmith, *Mr. J. Wheeler*, formerly manager of the theatre at Portsmouth, and of high reputation in his art. He had resided of late years in London, where he discharged the office of common-council-man.

Mr. J. Legge, master of the Rainbow-coffee-house, Cornhill.

In his 38th year, *Mr. J. Allen*, wine-merchant, of Power-street, and secretary to the West India planters and merchants.

In Upper Brook street, aged 84, *Mrs. Elllesker*, widow of the late E. M. Elllesker, esq. of Risby, Yorkshire.

At Upper Tooting, in her 80th year, *Mrs. Winter*.

At the house of her son, in Earl-street, Blackfriars, in her 76th year, *Mrs. M. Terrieray*, of Carshalton, Surrey.

Mrs. Cure, wife of Capel Cure, esq. of Gt. George-street, Westminster.

Suddenly at his house, in Charles-street, Berkeley-square, *General Marsh*, colonel of the 77th regt. of foot.

At Woodford, *Mrs. E. Richard*, widow, late of Goodman's-fields.

Mr. R. Griffin, eldest son of Mr. Griffin, of St. James's-street.

In Upper Belgrave-place, Pimlico, *Mrs. Clark*, wife of Thomas Clark, esq.

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In Upper Seymour-street, *T. Dilkes, esq.*

At Cheam, in Surry, *Mrs. Peach*, wife of the Rev. H. Peach, rector.

At Brompton, *H. Dyett, esq.* late of the island of Montserrat, West Indies.

At his house in Bedford-square, *James Heseltine, esq.* King's proctor; a gentleman whose abilities and persevering industry raised him to high eminence in his profession, and whose affable disposition and agreeable manners endeared him to an extended circle of private friends, by whom his memory will be long respected, and his death most sincerely regretted. By his professional pursuits, he had acquired a fortune of 200,000*l.* The office which he held is said to net its possessor 20,000*l.* per annum.

At Walworth, aged 77, *Mr. John Gill*, only son of the late Rev. Dr. Gill.

Mr. Cohen, one of the Jewish rabbies; preparing to officiate in the religious duties of the synagogue, he fell down in a fit, and afterwards expired. On the following Monday, in the forenoon, the body was interred in the Jewish burying-ground, at Mile-end, with great pomp and solemnity; upwards of one hundred and forty coaches following to the grave.

In Charles-street, Berkeley-square, *Mrs. Hyett*, wife of Benjamin Hyett, esq. of Painswick, Gloucestershire.

At Colehill-house, near Fulham, at an advanced age, *Mrs. Madden*, wife of James Madden, esq.

In St. James's place, the Rev. *W. Maximilian Friend*, late rector of Chinner, in Bucks.

In the 60th year of his age, *Richard Simson, esq.* of Walsingham-place, Lambeth.

At Hillingdon, near Uxbridge, *Charles Talbot, esq.*

Mr. Kennet Dixon, of Trinity-square, Tower-hill, aged 86 years.

Aged 61, *Henry Spicer, esq.* of Great Newport-street, portrait painter in enamel, to his royal highness the Prince of Wales.

At the Marquis of Stafford's, in Arlington-street, his lordship's youngest son, *Lord L. Gower*, aged 13 months.

At Fulham, after a long and painful illness, *C. Parker, esq.* vice-admiral of the red, and son of Sir Peter Parker, admiral of the fleet. He was a zealous, intelligent and active officer, and had distinguished himself against the enemy on various occasions. His services in the late war, as captain of the *Blanche* frigate, in the West Indies, must be fresh in every memory; and during the American war, when captain of the *Diamond*, he exhibited great and early proofs of his gallantry. One trait, among many others, deserves to be recorded; having, by the command of Lord Rodney, reconnoitred the harbour of Curaçoa, within a short distance of the forts, he observed in the offing, two of the enemy's cruisers, a Dutch frigate and an armed schooner, to which he gave chase, and

soon brought them to action, but the schooner sheered off, after receiving a few shots. Upon this, a Dutch line of battle ship in the harbour, slipping her cables, stood off towards the *Diamond*. Captain Parker, however, continued the action until the enemy's frigate struck her colours. He took out some of the prisoners and did not relinquish his capture before several shots from the Dutch line of battle ship had passed over the *Diamond*. Lord Rodney afterwards expressed great regret that Captain Parker's account to him should have been so slight as to prevent his stating the circumstances to government in the high terms it merited.

[*Further particulars relative to the late Marquis of Exeter, whose death was noticed in our last.*—The late Marquis of Exeter was the tenth Earl of Exeter, LL.D.F.R.S. vice-president of the Society of Antiquaries, and a most liberal patron to the town of Stamford. He was son of the Hon. T. Chambers Cecil, (son of Brownlow, eighth Earl of Exeter) by Charlotte Gonnen, who died Jan. 3, 1803, and was born at Brussels in 1754. He married, in 1776, Emma, heiress of Thomas Vernon esq. of Hanbury, Worcestershire, by whom he had two sons, who died infants, and a daughter, born 1779, married 1797, to John Chaplyn, esq. of Blakney, county of Lincoln. From this lady he was divorced; and married, secondly, 1791, Miss Higgins, who died at Burleigh, Jan. 18, 1797, and, thirdly, August 19, 1800, Elizabeth, Duchess dowager of Hamilton, daughter of Sir Peter Burrell, bart. He succeeded his late uncle in 1793, and is himself succeeded by his eldest son, from his second marriage, Brownlow, born July 2, 1795. His lordship was making considerable improvements at Burleigh; the splendid collection of pictures which are attached to the house by the will of his lordship's predecessor, which, by its rigid limitations, rendered them unalienable. The late marquis was a nobleman of very extensive and active charity. His remains were removed from Pembroke-house, Privy-gardens, on the 9th of May, in order to their being deposited in the family vault of his lordship's illustrious progenitor, Lord Burleigh, in St. Martin's church at Stamford. After the hearse and six horses, followed three mourning-coaches and his lordship's carriage, each drawn by six horses. Upwards of 30 noblemen and gentlemen's carriages had previously joined the procession, which reached Burleigh house about 9 in the morning of the 12th of May, where the Stamford volunteer infantry joined at 11, the six senior officers of the corps acting as pall-bearers. After the funeral service, three volleys were fired by the corps, the last tribute of respect to their deceased noble commandant. At least 3000 spectators it is supposed, were present in the park.]

[*The late Miss C. J. Hammond, whose death was announced in our last number, was daughter of the late W. Hammond, esq. of St. Alban's Court*

Court, in Norrington, county of Kent, by Charlotte, daughter and coheir of William Eggerton, L. L. D. prebendary of Canterbury, &c. As, in her earlier days, she was remarkable for her vivacity, good humour, love of society, and other amiable qualities, so she supported an excruciating illness of more than fifteen years, during fourteen of which she was confined to her room and bed, with a patience, resignation, and fortitude, almost without a parallel. Through this long and calamitous period of sufferings, when her dissolution was almost daily expected, and even to be desired by her best friends, a peevish expression was never heard to escape her. To the last, she was alive to the happiness of others; and the long expiring lamp of life, even in its severest struggles, never damped her benevolence towards her numerous relations and acquaintance, who superintended with undiminished solicitude her uncommon trials. On such a character, the lustre of descent can throw but a faint additional light; yet, in the splendid origin of her mother, this lady might have found an ample source of worldly pride; and it is certain that the Hammonds of St. Albans have been, for almost three centuries, honourable by their alliances, respectable for their rank, and even consecrated in the temple of British genius, by having produced in the Hammonds of Somer-

sham, a younger branch, the father and grandfather of the celebrated elegiac poet.]

[*Further particulars relative to the late J. Savage, esq. whose death was mentioned in our last.* —He was a native of Bermuda, and bred a seaman, but while young settled as a merchant in Charlestown, South Carolina, where, after many years of great industry, he acquired a considerable fortune. In the year 1775, from a desire to avoid witnessing the political struggle which was then ripening to a crisis, in North America, he came to this country, in which he has ever since resided. Mr. Savage was a man of strong and sound sense, exemplary piety, primitive simplicity of manners, great temperance, and unvarying cheerfulness, as likewise, of the most rigid integrity, and unbounded benevolence and charity. To his suggestion, was owing the restriction which is imposed on the British slave ships, with respect to the number of Negroes they transport from Africa. Notwithstanding his great age, his memory and other mental faculties were entire, and till within a few days of his death, he was capable of taking a considerable share of bodily exercise. Had it not, indeed, been for an acute disease, to which the young are liable as well as the old, what is termed by surgeons "an incarcerated hernia," it is probable that his life would have been extended to a much longer period.]

PROVINCIAL OCCURRENCES, WITH ALL THE MARRIAGES AND DEATHS;

Arranged geographically, or in the Order of the Counties, from North to South.

* * Authentic Communications for this Department are always very thankfully received.

NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM.

AT the annual meeting of the schoolmasters association in the North of England, held at Newcastle, Tuesday, May 22, the capital of the fund was reported to be in a flourishing, progressive state, notwithstanding they have now three superannuated members and eleven widows on their list. This improved state of the fund arises chiefly from the contributions of opulent individuals, who having themselves derived important advantages from a liberal education, are willing to discharge a part of their obligations on this account, by assisting such as are engaged in communicating similar advantages to the rising generation, to secure a competent provision for sickness and old age, and for their families after their decease, which the limited income arising from their professional stipends will not enable them to do.

Married.] In London, W. S. Bruere, esq. of Bewick, in Northumberland, to Miss H. Boulton, 5th daughter of H. Boulton, esq. of Thorncroft, in Surry.

At Morpeth, Mr. Blair, miller, to Miss Dunn, of the Scotch Arms Inn.

At Bishop Wearmouth, Mr. G. Parker, attorney, to Mrs. Thompson.

At Houghton le Spring, Captain Jackson, of the regiment of Coldstream Guards, to Miss C. Maling, of West Herrington.

At Barnard Castle, J. H. Hobson, esq. to Miss M. James, of West Auckland.

At Newcastle, Mr. E. A. Davison, merchant, son of the Rev. W. Davison, to Miss A. Halbert, second daughter of the late Mr. W. Halbert, woollen-drapier.—H. Hewitson, esq. to Miss Walker, of Wall's End.—Mr. J. Wingate, brush-manufacturer, to Miss Robson.—Capt. W. Days, to Miss A. Nixon.

At Jedburgh, Mr. J. Henderson, writer, to Miss J. Crookshanks, daughter of Mr. W. Crookshanks, one of the masters of the High School, at Edinburgh.

At Jarrow, Mr. J. Clark, brazier, of South Shields, to Miss M. Oliver, of Horton.—Mr. Fox, currier, of Stockton, to Miss Crisp, of Coundon.

At Darlington, P. Harrison, esq. to Mrs. Maitland.

At Durham, Mr. Henderson, of the Land Tax Office, to Miss Elliott, milliner.

At Liverpool, W. Legrew, esq. of Edmonton, Middlesex, to Miss J. Twedale, eldest daughter of F. Twedale, esq. of Threepwood, in Northumberland.

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Died.] At Newcastle, aged 72, Mrs. Graham, late of Newbiggin by the sea.—Mr. W. Wright, sen.—At the Turk's Head Inn, Lieutenant Gouch, of the armed ship Providence, of Shields.—Aged 69, Mr. W. Wright, father of Messrs T. and W. Wright, musicians of this town: he was a man of strict integrity, and one who set little value on those who wanted it, however considerable or dignified in life.

Mr. John Marley, linen-draper.—Aged 55, Mr. Isaac Henzell, painter and glazier.

In Gateshead, aged 55, Mr. R. Neblitt, block and pump maker.—In his 66th year, Mr. W. Falla, sen. nurseryman.

At Sunderland, Mr. T. Mounsey, grocer.—Mrs. Barnes, wife of Mr. Barnes, surgeon.—In an advanced age, Mr. English, father-in-law of Mr. Stamp, mercer.—Mr. J. Garrick, schoolmaster.—Aged 49, Mr. E. Smith, painter.—Aged 78, of a paralytic fit, Mr. J. Eden, sheriff bailiff.—Mr. Hodgson, clerk to Mr. Scott, of Southwick Pottery, late schoolmaster of this town.—Mrs. Shields, wife of Mr. W. Shields, mason.—Mrs. Henderson, wife of Mr. T. Henderson, schoolmaster.—Aged 52, Mrs. M. Finch, widow.—Aged 36, Ensign Lacey, of the Royal Lanark militia.

At Durham, in his 64th year, Mr. W. Forster, many years master of the inn, at White Smocks.—Mrs. Baron, widow, and sole daughter and heiress of the late Sir Thos. Heron Middleton, bart.

At Alnwick, in the prime of life, Mr. T. Murton, lieutenant in the navy.

At North Shields, in the flower of youth, Mr. P. Dale, son of Mr. S. Dale, ship owner.—Very suddenly, Mrs. Greenwell, of the Low Lights.

At South Shields, aged 63, Mr. M. Smith, hair-dresser.

At Berwick upon Tweed, aged 31, Miss Lily, daughter of the late Mr. Lily, butcher.—Mr. G. Bohill, ensign in the Loyal Berwick Volunteers.—Miss Rumney, daughter of the Rev. Jos. Rumney, vicar.

At Bamburgh, aged 72, Mr. B. Adamson, surgeon.

At Newbiggin, in her 77th year, Mrs. M. Pallison, widow.—J. Carruthers, esq. of Braes, in the parish of Annan. a substantial yeoman, well known in that district by the appellation of the “Laird of Braes.”

At Howdon Dock, Mr. W. Thompson, eldest son of Mr. Roger Thompson.

At Bath, whither she had repaired for the benefit of her health, Mrs. Laye, wife of Colonel Laye, of the Royal Artillery, and daughter of W. Browne, esq. of Benton, near Newcastle.

At Long Horsley, Mr. J. Ramsay, parish clerk and schoolmaster.

At the Tone Pitt House, Northumberland, aged 40, Mr. W. Robinson, innkeeper.

At Millhouse, in Northumberland, Mr. J. Smith, serjeant in the 5d battalion of Royal Artillery.—In his 82d year, Mr. J.

Heavysides, of Morley.—Aged 24, Mr. J. Dunn, of Garmonsfay Moor, near Durham; his death was occasioned by a fall from his horse, on the preceding day.

At Newsham, in Yorkshire, in his 85th year, Mr. W. Marley, father of Mr. J. Marley, linen-draper, of Newcastle.

At Hackney, London, in the prime of life, Mr. N. Slight, son of Mr. Slight, farmer, in Kelso.

At Hayton, aged 71, the Rev. Mr. Wills.—In the prime of life, Mr. G. Machell, surgeon, of Wolsingham.

At Earlston, aged 79, the Rev. J. Dalzie.—Mrs. A. Rudde, of Marron Lodge, daughter of the late L. Robinson, Esq. of Stockton.

CUMBERLAND AND WESTMORELAND.

An act has been passed, during the present session of parliament, or regulating and otherwise improving the salmon and other fisheries, within the counties of Cumberland, Westmoreland, Dumfries, and Wigton, and in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright. This regulation has been long called for, and will now, it is hoped, become highly advantageous to the public.

Married.] At Whitehaven, Mr. W. Irving, smith, to Miss M. Robinson, of Greysouthern.—Captain Hare, of the ship Worsley, to Mrs. Watts.—Mr. J. Wilson, shoemaker, to Miss Watson.

At Allonby, Mr. J. Hodgson, merchant, to Miss S. Bowman.

At Penrith, Mr. J. Townley, glazier, aged 24, to Miss M. Smellie, aged 14.

At Great Corby, Mr. P. Robinson, schoolmaster, to Miss E. Hodgson.

At Carlisle, at the Quaker's meeting-house, Mr. J. Cooke, silversmith, to Miss M. Addlington, of Liverpool.

Died.] At Carlisle, Mr. J. Tomlins, wine merchant.—Mr. T. Capper, formerly an eminent taylor.—Aged 34, Mr. J. Kendal, mercer.—Mrs. J. Haugh, widow.—Aged about 70, Mrs. Lister, of Catcoat.—At an advanced age, Mr. J. Morrison, gardener and inn-keeper.—Mrs. Goodfellow, wife of Mr. J. Goodfellow, shoemaker.

At Whitehaven, aged 92, Mrs. E. Scales.—Aged 35, Mr. J. King, cabinet-maker.—Aged 22, Mr. J. Garrison, jun.

At Cockermouth, aged 47, Mr. R. Hinde, auctioneer.—In her 25th year, Miss E. Walker, second daughter of the late J. P. Walker, esq.—In an advanced age, Mrs. Satterthwayte, a maiden lady.

At Keswick, aged 65, Mr. R. Grave.

At Workington, aged 74, Mrs. L. Dunn.—Aged 84, Mrs. I. Wilson, relict of the late Capt. W. Wilson, of the ship Concord.

At Harries, near Whitehaven, aged 72, Mrs. M. Lindell.

At Hesket Hill, parish of Burgh upon Sands, aged 79, Mrs. Grace Ritson. During the last fifty years, she collected eggs in the surrounding villages, and sold them in Carlisle market. By great parsimony, she had accumulated

cumulated a considerable sum, which she has bequeathed to an aged sister.

Mr. J. Hoddart, miller, at Dry Holm, in Abbey Holme, generally respected as a worthy honest man. His body was found in one of the upper rooms of the wind mill, mangled in a shocking manner. He had been absent a few minutes, and is supposed to have been employed in greasing the axle-tree, when some part of the machinery caught hold of his clothes and dragged him into the works.

At Allison Bank, near Gretna, aged 23, Mr. J. Ireland.

At Diffington, in her 84th year, Mrs. A. Johnstone, widow.

Aged 72, Miss M. Stamper, of Freeland's Place, near Brampton: she had been blind during the last twenty years of her life.

At Stanwix, near Carlisle, aged 34, Mr. T. France, late of London.

At Abbey Holme, in her 52d year, Miss Pape.

At Cargo, near Carlisle, aged 77, Mr. J. Robinson, one of the society of Quakers.—Miss Clarke, of Bebside.

At Hayton, aged 71, the Rev. Mr. Willis.

Very suddenly, near Kendal, aged 42, Miss J. Wilson.

At Longburgh, aged 79, J. Liddell, esq.

Mary Hetherington. During half a century, she regularly attended Carlisle market, twice a week, with butter and eggs, and performed all her journeys on foot, the whole estimated at nearly one hundred thousand miles!

At Temple Sowerby, aged 81, Mrs. Langhorne, widow.

At Kirkland, near Wigton, Scotland, Mrs. Moore.

At Highwood Nook, near Wigton, aged 23, Miss Saunderson, milliner.

At Brigham, aged 82, Mr. R. Hewitt.

YORKSHIRE.

Five additional dock shares were lately sold by public auction, at the exchange in Hull, under the powers of a late act of parliament, obtained for the purpose of making additional docks at that port. The first three shares brought the sum of 1500*l.* each, the fourth 1490*l.* and the fifth 1510*l.*—that is, the sum of 1500*l.* upon an average. The above is a strong proof, among many others that might be adduced, of the high opinion entertained of the growing consequence and resources of the port of Hull, an opinion, which, in all likelihood, will ever be realized. The ten dock shares sold in March, 1803, produced the sum of 1454*l.* upon an average. Only ten out of the thirty shares which the dock company were empowered to create, now remain unsold.

The preparatory works of the New Humber Dock, at Hull, are proceeding on, in what is called the fore shore of the river, &c. with all possible facility and expedition.

Married] At Hull, Mr. T. Meggitt, painter, to Miss J. Smith, daughter of Mr. J. Smith, woolstapler, of Wisbeach.—Mr. G. Greenwood, merchant, to Miss Richardson, of Crosby Garrett, in Westmoreland.—Mr. T. Sanderson, jun. British wine merchant, to Miss Robinson, of Upper House, near Bradford.—Mr. R. Hage, jun. to Miss Bedell.—Mr. H. L. Edwards, merchant, of Pye Nest, eldest son of J. Edwards, esq. to Miss L. Priestley, 5th daughter of J. Priestley, esq. of White Windows, near Halifax.—Mr. Skelton, attorney, of Leeds, to Miss Holroyd, late of Kebroyd, near Halifax.—Mr. B. Wilson, jun. paper-maker, of Moor Grange, near Leeds, to Miss M. Tetley, of Armley.—W. Innes, esq. of Sandside, in Caithness, North Britain, to Miss Cradock, of Hartforth, near Richmond, in this county.

At York, Mr. W. Clapham, merchant, of Leeds, to Miss Blanchard, daughter of Mr. Blanchard, printer.

At Manchester, Mr. B. Hopper, bookseller, to Miss Hopper, of Hull.

At Brignall, F. Blackburne, esq. to Miss Hogg, of Richmond.

At Wakefield, Mr. Bedford, saddler, of Redford, to Miss Thompson, eldest daughter of the late Mr. J. Thompson, architect.

At Driffield, Mr. R. Turner, grocer, of Hull, to Mrs. Turner, widow of the late Mr. Jacob Turner, linen-draper.

At Sculcoates, near Hull, Mr. S. Barnard, jun. of Boston, to Miss M. Lambert, daughter of the late J. Lambert, esq. merchant.—Mr. W. Smith, of Arksey, to Miss M. Halifax, daughter of G. Halifax, esq. of Doncaster.—Capt. Deane, of the brig Manchester of Gainsbro', a London trader, to Miss Ellis, of Hull.—Mr. J. G. Sheriff, linendraper, of Hull, to Miss Day, of Wrawby, in Lincolnshire.

At Gretna Green, Mr. J. Appleton, aged 84, of Dishforth, near Boroughbridge, to Mrs. Appleton, widow, aged 78, of Gatenham, near Bedale.

At Barnard Castle, J. Heaton Robson, esq. to Miss M. James, of West Auckland.

Died] At York, Mrs. Knowles.—Mrs. Porteus, relict of the late E. Porteus, esq.—In his 59th year, Mr. J. Wynne, of the George Inn.

At Hull, advanced in years, Mrs. Friston. She was passing over to Grimsby, in Lincolnshire, for the benefit of her health, but had scarcely been on the Humber half an hour, before she was a corpse.—Aged 29, Mrs. Mills, wife of Mr. R. Mills.—Aged 54. Mr. R. Thornborrow, scrivener.—Mr. Griffith, of the Baltic Tavern, in Cent-per-Cent. street.—Mr. R. Plowman, painter.—Aged 57, S. Stephenson, gent.—Aged 37, Peter Screeeton, mariner, many years employed in the passage of the ferry-boat betwixt this town and Barton. His singularity of manners, and of nautical expressions, had rendered him a well-known character.—Aged 35, Mrs.

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Mrs. Pullan, wife of Mr. Pullan, painter.—Aged 22, after an illness of only 36 hours, **Mr. J. Coatsworth**, merchant's clerk.

At Sheffield, **Mrs. Hall**. She suddenly expired, while sitting in her chair at breakfast—
Aged 56, **Mr. J. Hind**, butcher.—Aged 65, **Mr. T. Laver**, blacksmith, of Pit-smoor.—
Aged 78, **Mr M. Wharldale**, shoemaker, of Attercliffe.—Suddenly, **Miss Owen**, of Westbar Green.—Aged 58, **Mr. F. Newton**, grocer.—Aged 50, **Miss Cozens**.—Aged 23, **Miss L. Wilson**.—Aged 68, **Mr. J. Mellor**, of Sheffield Park.—**Mrs. Hibbard**.

At Burlington Quay, of a rapid decline, **Miss Calvert**, eldest daughter of the late Mr. Calvert, riding officer of the customs at Barnsone.

At Wakefield, aged 65, **Mr. C. F. Godthart**.—**Mrs. Taylor**, wife of Mr. W. Taylor, shoemaker.

At Howden, in her 35th year, **Mrs. Lindow**, wife of the Rev. J. Lindow, and daughter of the late Rev. J. Godmond, vicar of Howden.—Aged 60, **Mr. R. Harrison**, agent to the bank of Messrs. Moxon, of Hull.

At Beverley, aged 58, very suddenly, **Mr. J. Webster**. On returning from his usual walk, he died almost immediately on reaching his own house. He had been indisposed for some time before.—Aged 70, **Jack Power**, esq. an American refugee; he had resided in this town, for the last seven or eight years.

At Kilham, aged 79, **Mrs. J. Pindar**, widow of the late Mr. J. Pindar, farmer.—**R. Stephenson**, esq. of the Quaker's Temple.

Mr. W. Morley, of Dithforth, near Broughbridge.—**Mr. B. Chapman**, of Norton, near Sheffield.—**G. Harrison**, esq. of Orgrave, near Rotheram.—In his 75th year, **Mr. W. Holroyd**, corndealer, of Stainland, near Halifax.—**Mr. Shillitoe**, of Ackworth, near Pontefract.

At Sutton, **Mrs. Harrison**, wife of Mr. J. S. Harrison, merchant, of Hull.

At Horntey, aged 75, **Mr. T. Corney**, late of Beverley, and formerly well known as a horse-dealer.

At Swanfleet, near Howden, aged 73, **Mr. T. Parker**.—**Mr. R. Hardy**.

At Hatfield Hall, near Wakefield, in his 73d year, **Hatfield Kaye**, esq.—Suddenly, **Mr. J. Taylor**, miller, of Treeton.—Aged 57, **Mrs. Williams**, of High Field near Sheffield.—**Mrs. S. Sharpe**, of Micklebring.

At his house, at Newland, near Hull, **Mr. Richard Terry**, merchant.

At Skipton, in Craven, **Mr. J. Holmes**, sen. of the Black Horse Inn; and on the following day his son, **Mr. J. Holmes**, jun. who, as is conjectured, in a fit of lunacy, cut his throat in so dreadful a manner as to occasion his death.

At Fishlake, suddenly, aged 72, **Mr. J. Bladworth**, farmer.

At Rawdon, near Leeds, at a very advanc-

ed age, the Rev. J. Oulton, A. M. and minister of the baptist congregation there, upwards of half a century.

At Chelsea, **Portius Smith**, esq. patent comptroller of the customs at Hull, Scarbro', Burlington, and Grimsby in Lincolnshire.—The office is now abolished.

LANCASHIRE.

Married.] At Clithero, **Mr. Yates**, of Liverpool, to **Miss C. Goldfinch**, daughter of Mr. Goldfinch, manager of the Bradford and Burnley theatres.—**Mr. Hudson**, merchant, of Manchester, to **Miss Elwood**, of Carlisle.—Lieut. J. Taylor, of Ashton under Lyne, to **Miss Worthington**, of Carrington Farm, Audenshaw.—Lieut. Boyce of the 16th light dragoons, to **Mrs. Hulton**, widow, late of Hulton Park.

At Manchester, **Mr. J. Curtis**, cornfactor, to **Mrs. M. Warner**.—Lieut. J. Cooke, of the corps of Denton and Houghton Volunteers, to **Miss Bond**, of Denton, Mr. J. Nield, to **Miss Ryan**.

At Cockerham, near Lancaster, **Mr. T. Harrison**, aged 70, clerk of Eller Chapel, to **Mrs. J. Whittingham**, aged about 50. It is a curious but well known circumstance, that the bridegroom actually purchased his blooming bride, about twelve years ago, for 4s. 9d. and the parties have lived together ever since!

At Liverpool, **Mr. T. Kelly**, grocer, to **Miss Parkinson**, of Upper Newington.—**Mr. T. Fairclough**, merchant, to **Miss M. Butter**, of Penny's Lane, near Northwich.—**Mr. J. Thomas**, druggist, to **Miss Chears**, of Broome Hill, near Barrow.—**Mr. Proctor**, to **Miss S. Spedding**, daughter of Captain Spedding.—**Mr. H. Widows**, merchant, to **Miss S. Widows**, daughter of Mr. Widows, excise-officer, of Chester.—**Mr. S. Johnson**, druggist, to **Miss Beard**.—**Mr. J. Houghton**, merchant, to **Miss M. Harrison**, of Kingston, island of Jamaica.

At Preston, **Mr. J. Burnet**, linen-draper, to **Miss E. Bland**, of Bolton by the Sands.

Died.] At Liverpool, **Mrs. Chapman**, wife of Mr. Chapman, hosier, and late of the theatres royal of Covent-Garden and Liverpool: a lady of a truly respectable character, both in the walk of her profession and in domestic life.—**Mr. J. Machill**, underwriter, formerly a merchant in Lancaster. His death was occasioned by the sudden rupture of a blood vessel, internally.—Of a complaint in the liver, aged 69, **Mr. J. Murray**, heraldry painter: a man of considerable information in the line of his profession.—**Mr. T. Caran**, fishmonger.—**Mrs. Buddicum**, wife of Mr. J. Buddicum, surgeon.—Aged 70, **Mrs. Kerr**.—Aged 26, **Mrs. Cook**, wife of Mr. J. Cook, merchant.—**Mr. Griffiths**, currier.—In her 86th year, **Mrs. E. Barron**.

At Manchester, **Mrs. Arrowsmith**, wife of Mr. Arrowsmith, merchant.

At Lancaster, aged 49, **Mr. W. Parkinson**, ironmonger.—**Mrs. Forbes**, relict of the late Mr.

Mr. Forbes, formerly master of a vessel belonging to this port.—Aged 82, Mr. F. Bowes, formerly captain of a West Indiaman belonging to this port.—Miss Barrow, of Caton Green.

At Blackburn, Mrs. Greeve, wife of Mr. T. Greeve, jun. calico manufacturer.

At Wigan, Mrs. Fogg.

At Everton, aged 81, Mr. W. Robinson, gardener.

At Ashton under Lyne, Mr. S. Newton, attorney.

At Ormskirk, Mrs. Brandreth, mother of Dr. Brandreth, of Liverpool.

In the month of February last, at Martha Prae, island of Jamaica, Mr. A. Hornby, of Liverpool.—On board the ship Eliza, on her passage to the West Indies, Mrs. Poeter, wife of Mr. J. Poeter, merchant, near Lancaster.—Aged 86, the Rev. J. Burges, formerly minister of a dissenting congregation, at Whitworth, near Rochdale.—Aged 60, J. Dawson, esq. of Aldcliffe Hall, near Lancaster.

At Whitworth, near Rochdale, Mrs. Robinson, wife of Mr. Robinson, minister of a dissenting congregation.

At Farnworth, of a rapid decline, in her 27th year, Miss J. Norland.

At Toxteth Park, Mr. J. Mercer, blacksmith.

At Sierra Leone, aged 29, Mr. A. Macfarlane, late merchant of Charlestown, South Carolina, and son of Mr. J. Macfarlane, of Liverpool.

At Castle Town, Isle of Man, Mrs. Castley, wife of the Rev. T. Castley, A. M.

At Walmley Fold, near Blackburn, aged 103, Mr. R. Heaton, farmer. He retained the use of his faculties to the last.

CHESHIRE.

Married.] At Chester, Dr. Thackwray, to Mrs. Jones, widow, late of Rhagatt.—Mr. C. Smith, junior, of Northampton, to Miss M. Dutton.—Lieut. Col. Glegg, of the 91st regt. to Miss Holt.

At Knutsford, the Hon. W. G. Monckton, eldest son of Lord Viscount Galway, to Miss Handfield, niece of Col. Hanfield.

At Macclesfield, J. H. Roe, esq. recorder of that borough, to Miss Kamden, of Ham pole.

Died.] At Chester, Mr. J. Hassall, wine-merchant.—Miss Davies, daughter of the late Mr. Davies, currier.

At Wrexham, Mr. J. Hogg, formerly master of the Everton coffee-houle, near Liverpool.

At Aiston-hall, Mrs. E. Davenport.

In his 55th year, J. Williams, esq. of Pentry, in the county of Carnarvon, originally brought up a surgeon, and in that capacity humane and liberal to the poor, giving them, not only advice, but medicines. On succeeding to a large property, on the death of his brother, his house has continued an

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example of old Welsh hospitality, conducted with modern politeness.

DERBYSHIRE.

Married.] At Nottingham, Mr. J. Smith Clay, druggist, of Derby, to Miss Lyd. Matchitt, daughter of the late Mr. R. Matchitt, of Castle Donington, Leicestershire.

At Limerick, Lieut. Gladwyn, of the 9th foot, and attached to the 2d light brigade, quartered in that city, to Miss R. Lewin, of Derby.

Died.] At Derby, aged 43, Mrs. Strutt, daughter of T. Evans, esq.—Aged 67, Mr. Jessop, attorney.—Aged 43, Mr. W. Wright, draper.

At Chesterfield, aged 20, Miss Darby, daughter of Mr. Darby, taylor.—In her 76th year, Mrs. Peggy, widow, late of Codnor.—Mrs. Chester, wife of Mr. Chester, mercer.

At Buxton, in her 44th year, Mrs. Moore, wife of Mr. P. Moore, bookseller.—Mr. Harrison, of Eckington, formerly of Sheffield.—Aged 16, Miss J. Soresby, of Brailsford.

At Ticknall, in her 94th year, Mrs. M. Banton: she was mother and grand mother, &c. &c. to 192 descendants.—In his 68th year, Mr. J. Brown, grocer, of Smalley.—S. Bagshaw, esq. of Ford hall, near Chapel-en-le-Frith.

At Castleton, in his 80th year, Mr. M. Hall, attorney.

At Boston, in North America, Mr. G. Barber, currier, son of Mr. J. Barber, of Belper, in this county.

At Hopwell-hall, the seat of T. Pates, esq. Miss Rickards.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

Married.] At Nottingham, Mr. Keep, grocer, to Miss H. Ward.—Mr. W. Walker, builder, to Miss Williamson.—Mr. Wheatcroft schoolmaster, to Mrs. Rowbotham.—Mr. J. Smith, draper, to Miss Follett.—Mr. Neilson, to Miss Taylor, eldest daughter of J. Taylor, esq. of Radcliffe upon Trent.

Died.] At Nottingham, aged 78, Mrs. Pearson, mother of Mr. Peaton, organist of St. Mary's.—Mrs. Kelfall.—Miss Keating.—Mr. V. Silverwood, butcher.

At Newark, aged 72, Mr. Martyn, butcher.

At Walsop, near Mansfield, Mr. T. Bowet, farmer.

At East Bridgford, near Bingham, J. Levers, gen.

At Farnsfield, A. Hough, esq.

At Arnold, near Nottingham, Mr. Croft, master of the free grammar-school.—Mr. R. Clarke, farmer, of Sunney Dale.—J. Hurd, gent. of Rifle Place, formerly a hosier, of Nottingham.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

One of the greatest prodigies at present in this kingdom, if not an extravagation of nature, is Mr. Samuel Lambert, of Leicester, and master of the county jail there, who weighs not less than forty-five stone, twelve pounds, which is about half a hundred weight

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more than what the famous Bright, of Malden, weighed, who, as appears from authentic testimonies, could button seven men within his waistcoat. Mr. Lambert had often objected to being weighed; but, getting into a postchaise by a preconcerted plan of some of his friends, he was taken over a weighing machine, where it was ascertained with great facility, to his no small mortification.

Married.] At Knighton, near Leicester, Mr. R. Barker, of Staunton Grange, Nottinghamshire, to Miss Turner.

At Leicester, Mr. Wortley, grazier, of Belton, in Rutlandshire, to Miss Blair.—Mr. Howcutt, ironmonger, to Miss Higginson.—Mr. Rawson, hosier, to Miss Wood.

At Great Bowden, Mr. E. Chater, of Market Harborough, to Miss F. Taylor.

At Braunston, Mr. W. King, farmer and grazier, to Miss A. Hextall, of Leicester Forest.—The Rev. Mr. Hammond, of Great Mattingham, in Norfolk, to Miss Clifton, of Prestwould, in this county.

Died.] At Leicester, in his 29th year, Mr. S. Bradley, jun. grocer.

At Market Harborough, Mr. C. Allen, surgeon.

At St. Ives, Huntingdonshire, Mrs. Arnold, wife of Captain Harris Arnold, of the Leicestershire militia.

At Garratt's Hill, near Braunston, Mr. J. Richards.

At Worthington, Mr. Bulstrode.

At East Leak, in Nottinghamshire, Mr. J. Warner, farmer and grazier, brother of the late Mr. Warner, surgeon, of Leicester.

Richard Warner, esq. of Uilethorpe, a gentleman of a very superior understanding, well cultivated by reading, and of a disposition truly amiable, combined with strict integrity of heart; to these excellent qualities were added an active, judicious benevolence, and the graces of a truly Christian life. For many years, he devoted the leisure hours of the sabbath to the instruction of poor children in scriptural and evangelical knowledge.

At Hinckley, Mrs. Mary Dawson, relict of the late and mother of the present Mr. Elliott Dawson, hosiers, of that place. Mrs. Dawson would have been 80 years of age if she had lived three days longer. She was the last surviving child of Mr. James Estlin, whose ancestors resided at Hinckley for two centuries, and many of whose descendants live there at present, although the eldest branch of the family (the Rev. J. P. Estlin) is now settled at Bristol. Mrs. Dawson enjoyed the use of her senses and intellectual faculties to the last, and conversed with her children and friends the night before her death with perfect composure, recollection, and resignation. Having sustained the various relations of life with dignity and propriety, and having always regulated her conduct by Christian principles, she died with Christian hopes and prospects, respected by her nume-

rous friends, and deeply regretted by her children and grand-children.

STAFFORDSHIRE.

Married.] At Litchfield, Mr. G. B. Shaw, second son of Mr. Shaw, surgeon, of Sutton Colfield, to Miss Cooper.

At Wolverhampton, Mr. T. Piercy, of Hadley, to Miss A. H. Chune, of Bilstone.—Mr. J. Bennett, to Miss C. Jennings, of Henley.

At Stafford, J. Dent, esq. of Stone, to Miss Masters, daughter of J. Masters, esq. mayor of this corporation.—Mr. J. Bowdler, of Birmingham, to Miss E. Jobber, of Wednesbury.

Died.] At Stafford, aged 58, J. Wright, esq. banker.

At Newcastle under-Lyne, Mrs. Morgan, wife of Mr. Morgan, blacksmith.—Mr. J. Leese, farmer, of Cowley.

Mr. W. Corser, of Brockton Coppice, near Stafford; while dining at an annual club feast, he died suddenly at the table, before the cloth was withdrawn.

Aged 54, Mrs. Hall, of Hopton, near Stafford.

At Wolverhampton, in her 67th year, Mrs. James, wife of R. James, Esq. nephew to the late celebrated Dr. James.

In London, in her 59th year, Mrs. Hannah Illidge, wife of Mr. Illidge, of Newcastle; her death was accelerated by the following circumstance: Fifteen years ago, one of her sons went to settle in the island of St. Martin, West Indies, and not having seen him during so long a time, she became very anxious to embrace him once more. Her son, being apprised of this circumstance, burst at once through all the bands of commercial restraint, came to England, returned to Newcastle, embraced his parents, and at length was about to sail again, when his mother (on account of her own many infirmities, and his peculiar connections in the West Indies) never expecting to see her son again, undertook a journey to London, in order to be with him as long as possible. She travelled from Newcastle in one of the long coaches, the motion and jolting of which is believed to have had such an effect upon her as to bring on a slow fever, which gradually lessened her strength, and, in sixteen days after her arrival in London, effected her dissolution. Her son sailed from Portsmouth on May 7, and she died on May 8.

WARWICKSHIRE.

Married.] At Birmingham, Mr. If Dell, sen. plasterer, to Miss Smith.—Mr. J. Cooper, plater, to Miss S. Barnett.—Mr. J. Freeth, gilder, to Miss A. Moore.—R. Harrison, esq. of Coleshill, to Miss Pickhord, of Slately.

At Nuneaton, Mr. B. Rayner, to Miss S. Pemberton.

At Coventry, Mr. J. Rigg, to Mrs. M. Sheffield.—F. Perrott, esq. of Hawkebury-hall,

hall, to Miss Hewitt, eldest daughter of the late J. Hewitt, esq.

At Ashford, Lieutenant H. Leland Rose, of the 7th or the Prince's Royal Dragoon Guards, to Miss T. Holden.

Died.] At Birmingham, Mrs. Everton, of the King's Arms public-house.

Mr. E. Bristow, mercer; a gentleman of amiable manners in domestic life, and of prudent respectable conduct in his public concerns.

Mrs. Wheatley.—Mrs. Pearce, widow of the late Rev. Mr. Pearce, minister of the Cannon-street meeting.—Mrs. Robins, wife of Mr. W. Robins, gilt bottle-stand maker.—Mrs. Clarke, French teacher.

At Coventry, Mr. Patrick, baker.—Aged 86, Mrs. Dakin, relict of the late Mr. Alderman Dakin.—Mr. Allen Lapworth fourth son of Mr. J. Lapworth, silkman.—Mrs. Watts, widow, of Binley, near Coventry.—Aged 84, Mrs. Holmes, of Hollebury End, near Allesley.—Far advanced in years, Mrs. Handcock, of Stoneleigh.—Mrs. Welch, of Ashford.—Mr. E. Bridgwater, formerly a schoolmaster of Dudleigh.—Mr. Moore, of Netherton.—Mr. Walker, of Bentley, near Willenhall.—T. Willets, gent. of Oldbury.

SHROPSHIRE.

Married.] Mr. Drummer, of Hackney, near London, to Miss L. Scoltock, of Sutton, near Shrewsbury.

At Oswestry, the Rev. Mr. Ellis, to Miss Roberts, of Maesgwyedd, Flintshire.—Mr. Jenkins, linen-draper, of Wrexham, to Miss H. Griffiths, second daughter of Mr. Griffiths, architect.

Died.] At Shrewsbury, Mr. J. Corrie.—At the Talbot-inn, aged 79, Mr. H. Lingen, descended from a very ancient family in Herefordshire.—Mrs. Morris.—Mr. J. Gardiner.—In his 18th year, Mr. T. Bailey, brother of Mr. W. Bailey.—Mr. E. Upton, shoemaker.—Mr. Williams, sen. baker.

At Whitchurch, of a paralytic stroke, Mr. J. Edge, shoemaker.

At the house of J. Maddock, near Shrewsbury, the Rev. E. Leighton, eldest son of the late B. Leighton, esq. and rector of Cardeston, and of the second portion of Pontefbury.

At Paisley, in North Britain, J. Hunter, esq. nephew of the late Mr. Hunter, of Shrewsbury.

At Moreton Sea, in his 25th year, Mr. G. Minor, late partner with Mr. Corser, mercer, of Whitchurch.

Mr. J. Harris, of Moreton Corbett; this worthy man made a point of regularly paying his workmen their weekly wages, on the Friday evening, to prevent the necessity of their going to the mill or to shops, on the sabbath day.

At Bandon, in Ireland, lately, aged 84, Mrs. De Courcy, mother of the late Rev. Richard De Courcy.

Mr. Groome, of Smethurst.—Miss M. Par-

sons, of Beambridge.—Miss Mary Cartwright, of Stone Acton.—Mr. Fox, of the White House, near Pulley.—Mr. White, of Weis-hamton, near Ellesmere.

At Lee, near Ellesmere, Mr. T. Ithell, brother of Mr. Ithell, of Coleham.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

Married.] At Worcester, Mr. W. Williams, of London, to Miss Carden.

At Kidderminster, Mr. Knowles, to Miss Williams, of Chaddeley Corbett.

Died.] At Worcester, aged 89, Mr. J. Strickland, formerly a considerable butcher.—Mrs. Tandy, wife of Mr. Tandy, taylor.—Mrs. Powell, wife of Mr. Powell, carpenter.

At Stourbridge, Mr. J. Palmer, late a magistrate for the Borough Foreign of Walsall.

At Upton-upon-Severn Mrs. Brockhurst

At Broomsgrove, Mr. Southell, clerk of the parish church: while going to open the church door for morning service, he suddenly dropped down, and expired immediately

Aged 95, Mrs. E. Fawkes, of Draycott, in the parish of Kempsey.

At Hanley Castle, aged 23, Mr. G. Lewingdon Lloyd.—Mrs. Smith, wife of Mr. Smith, farmer, of Tibberton, near Worcester.

GLoucestershire.

Married.] Mr. Handy, farmer, of Ham-pen, to Miss Truman, of Stowell.—P. Williams, esq. of Penpont, in the county of Brecon, to Miss Yeats, of Monkswell, near Wotton-under-edge.

At Gloucester, Mr. J. Taylor, rope-maker, to Miss S. Mox.—Mr. J. Manning, attorney, of Exeter, to Miss Cooke, of Almondsbury, in this county.—W. Harris Tonge, esq. of Olveston, in this county, to Miss Bryan, daughter of the late Rev. J. Bryan, of Charlton, Somersetshire.—H. Alleyne, esq. eldest son of J. F. Alleyne, esq. of Westbury-house, in this county, to Miss Georgina Yea, second daughter of W. Yea, esq. of Bishop's Hall, Somersetshire.—J. Lowder, esq. of Bath, to Miss M. D'Oyley, of Southrop, in this county.

Died.] At Gloucester, in her 72d year, Mrs. Lee.—Mrs. Hall.—Aged 43, Mrs. Brehm.—Mrs. Peach, wife of Mr. Peach, sen. auctioneer.—At her lodgings, in this city, aged 53, Mrs. Williams, wife of T. Williams, esq. of Brecon.

Mr. W. Cooke, plasterer; a man much respected for honesty and the integrity of his character.

Mrs. Stratford, widow of the late Mr. F. Stratford, attorney.—In his 32d year, Mr. H. Barrett, painter.

At Tewksbury, Miss Cliffe, a young lady of an amiable and unassuming character, and constant in the practice of all the duties of religion.

At Monmouth, D. Williams, gent. many years steward to the Melbourne family of Wonastow.—Mrs. Sayce, of Llancrever.

At Usk, Mr. N. Young.

At Minchinhampton, Mr. Skinner, attorney.

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At Painswick, Mr. Williams, plumber and glazier.—Mr. J. Loveday, soapboiler.

At Dowdeswell, aged 72, Mrs. Pace, daughter of the late Mr. Pace, an eminent attorney, of Painswick.

At Barnwood, near Gloucester, Mr. J. Jordan, farmer.

At Coldwell, in the parish of Newland, in her 91st year, Mrs. Mudway.

On the 17th of September last, at Arungabad, in the East Indies, in his 24th year, Mr. J. Brydges Frankes, lieutenant in the army of the Hon. East India Company, and of Cudhill, near Gloucester. He had been about three years in Hindostan, and at length sunk under the complaints to which Europeans are unhappily subject in that country and climate. He was a young gentleman of an amiable disposition, respectable deportment, and lively talents; qualities which had the tendency to excite an unusual degree of personal esteem, and interest in his welfare.

At Freshford, near Bath, aged 56, Mrs. J. Joyce, clothier.—T. Pettar, esq. of Ryeford, near Stroud.

OXFORDSHIRE.

Married.] At Banbury, Mr. T. Hemmings, mercer, to Mrs. M. Seaman.—Mr. R. Morris, of Bladon, to Miss E. Brazei, of Kensington.

At Oxford, Mr. Billing, of Hazeley, to Miss M. Holloship.—Mr. Holmes, to Miss S. Robins, third daughter of Mr. Robins, an eminent farmer, both of West Hanney.

Died.] At Oxford, in his 85th year, the Rev. C. Blackstone, eldest brother of the late Sir William Blackstone, and upwards of 50 years a fellow of Winchester college.—In his 18th year, Mr. Francis Elwyn, scholar of Corpus Christi college.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

Married.] At Northampton, Mr. J. Whiteney, plumber and glazier, to Miss E. Thompson.—Mr. R. Smith, of Gilton, near Stilton, to Miss Morgan of King's Cliffe.—The Rev. J. Checkley, M. A. of the university of Oxford, to Miss Waters, of Little Weldon, in this county.—Mr. W. Coles, chemist and druggist, of Chipping Norton, Oxon, to Miss S. Grimes, of Eydon, in this county.—Mr. J. Watts, farmer and grazier, to Miss M. Harris, both of Killingbury.

Died.] At Northampton, Mrs. Pointer, wife of Mr. W. Pointer.

At Towcester, Mr. W. Sheppard, chemist and druggist.

At Huntingdon, in his 68th year, Mr. J. Sperry, builder.

At Oundle, Mrs. Pole.

At Bedford, in the prime of life, Mr. L. Harpman, shoemaker.

At Godmanchester, Huntingdonshire, in his 30th year, Mr. W. Sharpless.

At Stilton, in Huntingdonshire, aged 73, the Rev. W. Whitworth, rector and archdeacon of Sarum.—Aged 36, Mrs. J. Worley, wife of Mr. G. Worley, surgeon, of

Cranford.—Mrs. Sheldon, of Walgrave.—Mrs. Eccles, relief of the Rev. J. Eccles, rector of Stoke Bruerne.—The Rev. W. M. Friend, rector of Chinner, Bucks.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

Meteorological Journal, from May 23, to May 29; as copied from the Observations registered in the Public Library of the University of Cambridge. (2 o'Clock, P. M. the Thermometer estimated on the Scale of Fahrenheit)

Day.	Month.	Deg.	Weather.
Wednesday	May 23	65	Fine.
Thursday	24	63	Rain.
Friday	25	64	Fine.
Saturday	26	65	Fine.
Sunday	27	64	Fine.
Monday	28	64	Cloudy.
Tuesday	29	65	Cloudy.

Married.] At Rampton, Mr. J. Watson, farmer, to Mrs. Thurley, eldest daughter of the late Mr. W. Underwood, of Boxworth.—Mr. H. D. Morgan, sack-manufacturer, to Miss Fountain, both of Standground, in Huntingdonshire.—Mr. T. Greaves, of Cottenham, to Miss Watson, daughter of the late Mr. Watson, farmer, of Rampton.—Sir William Darley, captain in the regiment of Cambridgeshire militia, to Miss Julia F. Hodges, of Hamsted, in Essex.

Died.] At Cambridge, Mr. J. Favell, painter.—In her 86th year, Mrs. M. Bishop, mother of the late Mr. B. Bishop, taylor and draper.—Aged 70, Mr. W. Norris, many years permit-writer, at the excise office in this town.—Miss M. Bond, second daughter of Mr. Alderman Bond.

At Wisbeach, Miss Thompson.

At Chatteris, aged 21, Mr. T. Smith.

At Sproughton, aged 90, Mrs. Nunn, relief of the late Rev. Mr. Nun, rector of Holbrook, in Suffolk.

At Taplow, in Buckinghamshire, Miss Jefferson, daughter of the late C. Jefferson, esq. and sister of Lieutenant-colonel Jefferson, of Dulingham-house, in this county.—Aged 34, Mr. J. Hodson, farmer, of Outwell, in the isle of Ely.

NORFOLK.

The passage over St. Michael's Coslany bridge, at Norwich, has been lately closed, for the purpose of taking down the said bridge; an iron one is intended to be erected, in lieu of the present, and a temporary bridge of wood will be provided, for the use of foot-passengers, until the said new bridge can be completed.

The executors of the late Mrs. Greene, of Norwich, have lately transferred to the trustees of the Norfolk and Norwich hospital, to be added to the funded stock, a legacy of £100. three per cent consols. The treasurer of the said hospital has likewise lately received the sum of £40. a bequest of the late Mr. James Norton of Yarmouth; and the sum of £100. long ago bequeathed to the hospital, by the Rev. Richard Oram, formerly

of Northwold, in this county, and not payable till the decease of a certain person, an event which has lately taken place.

Married.] Mr. J. Ives, eldest son of Mr. Ives, of Cottishall, to Miss Parker, of Yarmouth.

In London, Mr. T. Sowter, printer, to Miss E. Tremiere, of Yarmouth.—Mr. D. Crofts, bookbinder, to Miss H. Coulson, niece of Mr. R. Coulson, merchant of Norwich.

Mr. P. Rainbird, surgeon, to Miss P. Baldy, both of Mattishall.

At Norwich, Mr. Dye, grocer, to Miss Godbold.—Mr. Watt, linen draper, of Yarmouth, to Miss Coote.

Died.] At Norwich, aged 83, Mrs. A. Vipond, a maiden lady.—At an advanced age, Mrs. Wright, widow of the late Mr. Wright, merchant.—Aged 48, Mrs. Gervas.—Aged 34, Sejt. T. Wade, of the East Norfolk Militia.—In her 80th year, Mrs. M. Monsey.—Mr. Freeman, late of the Bear-inn.

Aged 89, Mr. T. Bokenham, surgeon: this gentleman, who possessed great urbanity of manners, was a daily visitor to the poorest classes of inhabitants of this city, who were constantly relieved by his advice and assistance, which he administered gratis. Being of a frugal temper of mind, Mr. Bokenham had accumulated an ample fortune, which he has bequeathed to an only daughter.

Very suddenly, aged 37, Mr. J. Plaford, China merchant; on the preceding day he had celebrated the anniversary of his birth, with a company of select friends.—Aged 68, Mr. J. D'Oyley, shopkeeper.—In her 28th year, Miss H. Gimingham.—Aged 74, Mr. J. Read, carpenter.—Mrs. Brunton, wife of Mr. Brunton, macebearer.—Aged 92, Mrs. Swift, relict of the late Mr. Swift, surgeon.—Mrs. Hood, shopkeeper, of Pockthorpe.—Aged 46, Mrs. S. Chaplin.—Aged 52, Mrs. Stewart, wife of Mr. Stewart, baker.—Aged 27, Mr. E. Barnard, woollen-draper.—Aged 36, Mr. P. Elofield, carpenter.—Aged 74, Mrs. Buxton, widow, of Winfarthing.—Aged 78, the Rev. J. Bruckner, minister of the Walloon congregation, in this city, since the year 1750. He was a gentleman much admired for his learning and good sense; and, for many years past, has given French lessons to pupils, in public and private.

Aged 54, C. Weston, esq. banker and alderman.—Aged 51, Mr. Jay, coal-merchant.

At Lynn, suddenly, Mr. W. Forster, merchant.

At Yarmouth, in her 89th year, Mrs. Boutt.—Aged 45 Miss J. Symonds.

At Northwallsham, Mr. J. Ransome.

At East Dereham, in his 68th year, Mr. H. Butcher, bricklayer.

In the month of June last, on his passage to Madras, Mr. W. Gooch, eldest son of Mr. W. Gooch, of Gimingham, in this county.—Aged 39, Mr. S. Priest, of Newton mills, near Castle-acre.—Aged 73, the

Rev. S. Browne, rector of Acle.—In his 75th year, the Rev. W. Lobb, rector of Hargham-cum-Wilby, &c.—In his 65th year, Mr. J. Kerrison, of Panxworth.—Aged 68, Mr. J. Rade, carpenter, of Hempnall.

At Northwold, in her 67th year, Mrs. M. Grimmer, widow, late of Feltwell.—Mrs. Eyers, wife of J. Eyers, gent. of Feltwell.—Aged 60, Mr. Wright, farmer, of Whitacre, Burgh.

At Watton, aged 71, Mrs. D. Younge, widow.

On the 4th of February last, at Alexandria, in Virginia, North America, Mrs. J. Dinmore, wife of Mr. R. Dinmore, surgeon, late of Watton.

ESSEX.

Married.] At Bocking, the Rev. Mr. Glover, of Gosfield, to Miss Daniel.

At Writtle, Mr. J. Borley, excise-officer, to Miss S. Poole.

Died.] At Chelmsford, P. Bernard, Esq. forty-six years surgeon and apothecary in the army.

At Colchester, Mrs. Mansfield, wife of Mr. J. Mansfield, baize manufacturer. In an advanced age, Mr. W. Nightingale, shoemaker.—Of an apoplectic fit, Mr. J. Choat, of Cornish-hall, Finchfield.

At Thaxted, Mr. J. Barnard, farmer.—Mr. Worship, farmer, of Great Stambridge.

At Brent Elleigh, Mrs. Hicks, of Hockley hall.

At Halsted, aged 50, Mr. J. Thorogood, master of the King's Arms inn.

At Latchington, aged 60, Mr. W. Howard.

At Epping, of a gradual decay, aged 76, John Waylett, gent. formerly a considerable farmer in this county.

KENT.

"A work of some magnitude, ingenious and novel, has lately been completed at the brewery of Mr. Alderman Sankey, at Maidstone. The method, for sometime practised in several great brew-houses in the metropolis, consists in cooling the wort, by running it, by means of an immense worm pipe, through a back of cold liquor, similar to the spirit refrigeratory in the distillery, by which improvement the use of coolers becomes unnecessary, much room and time are saved, and the loss of evaporation and waste prevented. In the application of this new mode here, it was conceived by Mr. Sankey, that the most perfect and permanent refrigeratory or cooling back would be his water-well, which is fifteen feet diameter, and of a considerable depth. Accordingly after much labour and expence, the worm was there fixed, so as to be constantly immersed by the waters of a copious spirit; and now the wort runs from the copper to the bottom of the well, and returns again to the working-tun through a length of revolving pipe the distance of 80 feet.

Married.]

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Married.] At Folkestone, Mr. G. Brice, to Miss S. Bateman.

At Smarden, Mr. E. Pope, gamekeeper, to Miss J. Russell.

At Chatham, Mr. J. Ashley, brewer, to Miss Brenchley, of Bredgar—Mr. J. Miles, farmer, to Miss R. Pell, both of Rainham.

At Lenham, Mr. T. Biggs, butcher, to Miss C. Huntley, of Smarden.

Died.] At Canterbury, in his 80th year, the Rev. J. Gostling, M. A. rector of St. Peter's, and vicar of Holy Cross, Westgate, in this city—Aged 82, Mrs. Baldock, mother of W. Baldock, esq.—Mrs Delmar, widow.

Mr. Keeler, sen. he was found dead in a dyke into which he was supposed to have fallen in a fit, between Fishpool-hill and Littlebourne.

Mr. J. Clarke, butcher, of this city; while on his journey to London, he fell in a fit from the top of the coach, and was conveyed to the Red Lion inn, Shooter's hill, whence he could not be removed till his death.

At Maidstone, in her 21st year, Miss Randall, daughter of Mr. Randall, nurseryman; a young lady of elegant manners, and truly exemplary deportment through life.

At Dartford, Mrs. M. Cavell.

At Sevenoaks, Mrs. Pooley, relict of the late R. Pooley, esq. formerly commander in the service of the Hon. East India Company.

At Dover, Mr. W. Pollett, late excise-officer in the county of Sussex.

At Folkestone, aged 56, Mr. J. Bateman.

At Charing, aged 52, Mr. T. Loftus, late quarter-master in the 43d regiment; he entered as a volunteer in the said regiment, on the 13th of October, 1771, and retired on half pay, on the 15th of February, 1803. He had been wounded in the action of Bunker's-hill, North America.

At Wingham, Mrs. Moyne, blacksmith

At Willeboro', aged 27, Mr. Barker.

At Wrotham, aged 23, Mrs. Maria Moore, wife of the son of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

In the island of Grenada, about three months ago, aged 28, Mr. S. Thornton, surgeon on board the ship Concord, in the service of the Hon. African Company.

SUSSEX.

The Rev. D. Pape, L. L. B. vicar of Penn, has lately made a considerable improvement in Rye-harbour, in this county, by cutting a new channel to the sea, and by putting in a dam of a very singular construction across the old channel; a work that had been long deemed impracticable, as it must necessarily be exposed to a very heavy sea, and a rapid influx and reflux of the tide.

An institution for the gratuitous inoculation of the cow-pox, has been lately established under the patronage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, which is founded on a very liberal plan, and is intended to embrace the whole of this county, as the sphere of its beneficence.

Died.] At Lewes, Sir Ferdinand Poole, bart.—He is succeeded in his title and family estates by the Rev. Henry Poole, of the Hooke—In a fit of apoplexy, after eating a hearty dinner, Deputy Commissary Roberts, of the Deanery-house, Malling, near this town.

At Brighton, Mr. N. Elphick, upwards of 40 years common carrier from this town to Lewes.—Mr. T. Pockney, of Cuckfield, one of the joint proprietors of the blue Brighton stage coaches.

At Eastbourne, Mrs. Gibbs, wife of Mr. Gibbs, surgeon and apothecary.

At Bath, aged 65, Lady Hampden, of Glynde-place, in this county.

At Highland, Miss Woodward, daughter of the late Rev. W. Woodward, rector of Plumpton, in this county.

HAMPSHIRE.

Married.] At Baddeley, Thomas Lyons, esq. to Miss Robbins.

At Cowes, in the Isle of Wight, the Rev. Mr. Dick, to the eldest daughter of the Rev. Mr. Gill.

At Southampton, Captain Hampton, of the 17th regiment of foot, to Miss Ward, second daughter of Mr. Ward.

At Droxford, John Rogers, esq. surgeon, to Miss Page, of the same place.

Lately in London, Edmund Cobb Hurry, esq. of Gosport, to Miss Chambers, of Holly Hill.

Died.] At Titchfield, at the house of his friend, James Glegg, esq.—Mr. John Brown, surgeon, of the royal navy.

At the College, Winchester, Mr. Parkinson, aged 48. His funeral was attended by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Gloucester (the warden), the sub-warden, fellows, and chaplains of Winchester college; and also, by all the commoners and young gentlemen of the foundation, as a mark of affectionate regard towards their much lamented school-fellow.

At Froyle house, W. Miller, esq. eldest son of Sir Thomas Miller, bart.

At Dean, Mr. Newman, a respectable gentleman farmer at Southampton, Mrs. Martifield, proprietor of the silk mills in that town—Mr. Shepherd.—Miss. Evamy, wife of Mr. Evamy, saddler.—L'Abbe Burget, a French priest, of a gradual decay, aged 42—Mrs. Rogers, mother of Mr. Rogers, of the Coach and Horses inn.—In the bloom of youth, Miss Sophia Mant, seventh daughter of the Rev. Richard Mant, D. D. rector of All Saints, Southampton, who closed that life which had been spent in the discharge of every moral and religious duty with the utmost resignation and serenity of mind. Her innocence and integrity of heart, her affectionate regard for her parents and relations, and her amiable manners, rendered her character so attractive, that she will be long and tenderly regretted.

BERKSHIRE.

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Married.] At Egham, Mr. Macgregor, to Miss C. Turner, daughter of Mr. Turner, builder.—Mr. Wheeler, banker.

At Chertsey, Mr. J. Douglas, to Miss Varnden.

Died.] At Reading, Mr. M. Young.

At Aylesbury, Mr. J. Carew.

At Staines, Mr. M. Hutchin, son of Mr. Hutchin of the Blue Anchor public-house.—Suddenly, Mr. Hall, sen.—Mr. R. Gammon, junior.

At Newbury, Mr. Harris, master of the White Hart inn.—J. Wasey, an eminent attorney; a man of honourable conduct, and, in all points, of really unblemished integrity; equally valuable in his domestic and his professional concerns.

At Guildford, in Surrey, aged 92, Mr. J. Rusiel, bookseller; father of the corporation, and four times mayor.

At Egham, in her 84th year, Miss Nunn, a maiden lady.—In his 80th year, Mr. W. Byrne, a man of high integrity and inoffensive manners.

Fowler Walker, esq. of Goldwell; many years an eminent counsellor at the chancery bar.

On the 2d of June last, on her voyage from Bombay to China, Mrs. Pavin, wife of Capt. Pavin, and sister of Mrs. Bird, of Aldermaston, in this county.

At Bath, of a decline, Mr. J. Rymett, jun. late of Maidenhead, in this county.

On the 6th of April, in the citadel at Valenciennes, in France, the Rev. Dan Graves, L.L.D. late of Eastwood Hay, in this county.

In his 64th year, Mr. Gab. Davis, of Radley, near Abingdon.—Aged 61, Mr. Corn. Hale, farmer, of Sutton Courtney: he was unfortunately drowned by the sinking of a boat, while he was crossing the river Thames, to one of his meadows.

At Dorant's Hotel, Albemarle-street, London, in his 23d year, of a decline, Sir George Russell, bart. of Checkers, county of Bucks. The title is now extinct.

Aged 73, Mr. T. Keep, of Sutton, near Abingdon.

At Fyfield, aged 87, Mr. J. Leech, an opulent farmer.

SOMERSETSHIRE.

The intended improvements in the harbour of Bristol have been lately commenced, and are carrying on with great rapidity, as about 300 men are at present employed in digging of the new cut.

Married.] At Bristol, J. Vaughan, esq. to Miss Maxse, of Arno's Vale.—J. Coulson, esq. solicitor, to Miss Forbes, of Clifton.—Mr. St. Pratt, merchant, to Miss S. Summers, of New Bond-street, London.

At Bath, Mr. A. Wingrove, to Miss Jones, mantua-maker.

At Ashbrittle, Mr. J. B. May, to Miss Whitter, daughter of the Rev. T. Whitter.

At Taunton, Mr. Young, to Miss Mules, daughter of the Rev. J. H. Mules, of Ilminster.

Died.] At Bath, aged 84, Mrs. Hay, relic of the late C. Hay, M.D. formerly of Ipswich, in Suffolk.—Mr. Penny, butcher.—At her lodgings in this city, Miss Woodruffe.—Mr. B. Butcher, an attendant at the General Hospital. His death is attributed to the circumstance of having taken a hearty draught of cyder while over heated by exercise.

E. Saunders, esq. Ballandery, county of Meath, Ireland.—Aged 65, Mr. Bottle, builder.—Mr. Sainsbury, jun. plasterer.—Mr. Frappel

At Bristol, Mr. J. Whittaw, formerly of the Druid's Head public-house.

At Castle Carey, Mrs. Clarke, wife of Mr. Clarke, surveyor.

At Ilminster, Mrs. C. Hicks, wife of Mr. W. Hicks, surgeon.

At North Perrott, Mrs. Swyer, widow of the late Mr. Swyer, of Shaftesbury.

At Widcombe, the Rev. R. Money, lately from North America, and one of the missionaries for propagating the gospel in foreign parts.

At Bridgewater, aged 85, the Rev. J. Howell, dissenting minister, and formerly of Pooler; a gentleman of considerable abilities, in union with great moral worth.

At Huntspill, Dr. Jeffety, an eminent physician.

At Frome, in his 78th year, W. Barton, esq.

DORSETSHIRE.

Married.] At Bridport, Mr. Bridgeman, son of Dr. Bridgeman, of Plymouth, and member of the Royal College of Surgeons, to Miss Balston.

At Yeovil, Lieutenant and Adjutant Mould, of the Portsmouth marines, to Miss H. Rawlings, youngest daughter of Dr. Rawlings.

Died.] At Wareham, Mr. H. Fletcher, late supervisor of excise in Salisbury.

Aged 74, Mrs. Stroud, of Spetisbury Mills.

DEVONSHIRE.

The committee for managing the concerns of the General Asylum for Lunatics, near Exeter, have lately delivered in a Report to a general annual meeting of the governors, of which the following is an extract:—

“ That as much of the new building as appears for the present to be desirable, is almost completed, and partly occupied. Besides ten rooms which it has been thought prudent to keep as yet in an unfinished state, the Asylum now contains 48 capacious rooms for patients, neatly fitted up, in a manner suited to their ranks in life.—Every part of the new structure is ventilated upon a novel and

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and apparently excellent plan. There are a hot and two cold baths, besides a shower and vapour bath. A forcing engine distributes hot or cold water to every part of the house. High brick walls separate the five extensive airing grounds, which are allotted to male or female patients, and to the classes afflicted with different degrees of insanity. That the work already finished is executed in a masterly style, &c. &c."

Married.] The Rev. J. B. May, of Ashbrittle, Somerset, to Miss Whitter, daughter of the Rev. T. Whitter, of Holcombe Roguse, in this county.

At Exeter, Mr. R. Jesse, attorney, late of Bristol, to Miss Mellena Glasse.—Mr. W. Forde, jun. nursery man, to Miss Brailsford.

At Farway, near Honiton, Sir Wilmot Prideaux, bart. to Mrs. Ellis.

At Hemyock, J. Farrant, esq. of Cleyhidon, to Mrs. Jervas, widow.

At Tiverton, Sir John Dantze, bart. to Miss D. Carew, second daughter of Sir Thomas Carew, bart.

Died.] At Exeter, aged 33. G. Follett, esq. attorney; a gentleman of respectable talents, rigid integrity, and a benevolent disposition.

Mrs. Bretland, wife of the Rev. Mr. Bretland.

Miss E. Campion, only surviving child of the late F. Campion, esq. of Liskeard, in Cornwall. This young lady died of a consumptive malady; a disease which, within the space of five years, has proved fatal to the whole of her family.

At the house of her brother in-law, Mr. Shiles, Miss Hayne.

At Topsham, in her 23d year, Miss S. Peters.

At Exmouth, Mrs. Elson.

At Plymouth, aged 84, Mrs. Fry, mother of Dr. Gasking.—Aged 52, Mrs. Forster, wife of Mr. S. Forster, master of an academy.

At Plympton, in consequence of a fall from a spirited horse, near Ivy-bridge, which fractured his skull, aged 55. Mr. Weekes, tanner, and captain of the Plympton volunteers.

CORNWALL.

Mr. Griffiths, the principal engineer at Llanelly (who has lately added some considerable improvements in the mode of working Mr. Trevethick's patent engine) is about to introduce a regulator on an entire new principle, a primary object of which is to ascertain the momentum or power of any engine, mill, or water wheel, at the time when it governs its motion.

A gentleman lately angling in the river Steddu, in this county, caught, with a natural fly, a trout seven inches in length, with two heads; in every other respect, it resembled an ordinary fish of that species.

The fishermen at Mevagissey have lately caught, in their mackerel drift nets, two large fishes, for one of which they obtained the sum of 23*l.* and for the other that of seventeen guineas. The latter measured 24 feet in length, and was of the species called by the fishermen a bottle-mouth. Its liver, only, produced 120 gallons of pure oil.

Married.] At Padstow, Mr. W. Kendall, farmer, to Mrs. Rowe.

Died.] At Truro, Mrs. Coombes, wife of Mr. Coombes, baker.—Mrs. Kempe, wife of Mr. Kempe, surgeon.

At Penzance, suddenly, Mr. Warne, surgeon.

At St. Ives, aged 70, Mr. Jasper Williams.

At Dulse, near Liskeard, Mr. Lamb, an opulent farmer.

At Menhinst, near Liskeard, Mr. Hambley, farmer.

Lately, in France, Mr. Bunster, master of the Penryhn smack, a London trader, lately captured by the French.

J. Furniss, esq. of the parish of St. Udes: he had been married only about four months.

SCOTLAND.

Died.] Lately, at his seat, Duplin-castle, county of Perth, Robert, Earl of Kinnoul, Viscount Duplin, and Baron Hay. His lordship is succeeded in his honours by his eldest son, Thomas-Robert, Viscount Duplin.

DEATHS ABROAD.

On the 12th of March, 1803, fell in action, at the siege of Kutchousa, in the Dobal, Major Robert Nairn, of the Bengal native cavalry; a gentleman whose virtues endeared him to society, and whose military talents, second to none, conjoined with a distinguished valour and humanity, rendered him an ornament and honour to a profession, in the noble duties of which he gloried and delighted. His eulogy was read in the countenances of all who attended his funeral; where silent awe, regret, and respect for the departed soldier, best evinced the esteem in which, during life, he was held.

At Barbadoes, on the 31st of March, Mr. Polton, surgeon of the Prince Ernest packet.

In India, of a wound he received in the action of the 23d September last, Lieutenant Robert Mac Murdo, of his Majesty's 74th regiment of foot.

On the 5th of November, at Bombay, B. R. Lessingham, esq. of the honourable company's currant service, at that presidency.—Also, at Bombay, on the 16th of October last, Lieutenant-colonel Henry Long, major of artillery on the Bombay establishment.

In April last, among the persons on board the Apollo frigate, off the coast of Portugal, Mr. Proby, midshipman, son of the Rev. N. C. Proby, of Stratford St. Mary, Bury St. Edmund's, Suffolk.

His

His Serene Highness the Reigning Duke of Saxe Gotha ; born January 30, 1745. He forbade, in his will, all ceremony to be performed at his burial, except such as are usual for his lowest subjects. He desired to be buried in his English garden, at the feet of the coffins containing the bodies of two of his formerly deceased children. No speech or sermon was to be pronounced on the occasion, and no monument to be erected over his remains; but he desired his second son, Prince Frederick, would place a tree upon his grave. To this prince he has bequeathed his English garden, which is to be open, as formerly, to all visitors. The simple funeral ceremony of this sovereign took place on the night of the 25th of April, according to the wish expressed in his will. The grave was dug on

the island, in the English garden. The reigning duchess, with her child on her arm, had, the evening before, strewed flowers round the grave. The midnight hour struck when the body entered the garden, carried by the servants of the late duke. The walk to the island was laid with black cloth, as likewise was the boat that carried it over. A dark but quiet night favoured the performance of the ceremony, which was only interrupted by the sighs and tears of all present, which ran in abundance on the coffin. The grave had been dug by the courtiers of his late highness, and was filled by the hands of the members of his family. No drums were beat, no sermon was pronounced, no cannons were fired, no bells were tolled.

MONTHLY COMMERCIAL REPORT.

ALL the manufactures and the shipping adventures, dependent on the slave trade, are now entirely at a stand, in consequence of the success with which Mr. Wilberforce's persevering endeavours for its abolition are at length crowned in the House of Commons. It has extensively affected the orders to the manufacturers, in Lancashire, who were employed chiefly in making cotton-cloths, fit only for the use of the Negroes, and for the African market. At Birmingham, the manufacturers who make toys, arms, &c. for the same market, find themselves likewise, for the same cause, disappointed of a part of their usual orders. It has an unfavourable effect too on the present activity of some of our woollen and coarser linen manufactures. It tends to raise the prices of West India commodities, and probably to diminish the disposition of our merchants to advance money for the clearing and culture of lands in the West Indies.

The delay in the arrival of the China fleet, has occasioned a rise of full $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. in the retail prices of teas. The prices were also higher at the company's last sales. And we have been told, that they were influenced by certain monopolizing speculations of the principal dealers. There has been lately, from similar causes, and from an increase in the demand for the American market, a rise in the prices of calicoes.

Some of the Hull, Newcastle, and Leith ships, have begun to arrive from the whale fishery, in Davis's Straights. It has been in general very successful this year. The Norwegian fishermen have been equally successful. Their success has afforded great relief, from the extreme scarcity by which they have for the two last years grievously suffered.

Mr. Boulton, of Birmingham, after coining 59 tons of dollars into crown-tokens for the bank of England, has executed a similar coinage of 800,000 dollars for the bank of Ireland, which circulates them as tokens for 6s. each. He is about to export, by permission from the parliament, an establishment for coinage in Denmark, upon a contract with the Danish government.

The total amount of the poor's rate in England and Wales for twelve months, ending May 9th, 1804, was 5,246,506l. 13s. $7\frac{1}{4}$ d. The average rate of the levies for the counties of England was 4s. 6d. in the pound, on the rents. The average rate in Wales was 7s. 3d. in the pound. Above 10,000l. a year, are collected from the public, in London, by beggars in the streets.

The total value of the imports into Russia, by the Baltic and by the White Sea, in the year 1802, was 33,533,150 roubles. The total value of the exports for the same year was 51,713,151 roubles. Among the imports were gold and silver, in coin and bars, to the value 4,000,000 of roubles.

The prime cost of the best port wine is 72l. per pipe. A pipe contains 138 gallons, or about 56 $\frac{1}{4}$ dozens. It never costs the consumer, who buys it in bottles, less than at the rate of somewhat more than 100l. sterling, a pipe.

Within these last thirteen years, more than 30 millions sterling has been paid for grain imported.

The French have for some time occupied Meppen, for the purpose of intercepting the passage of English goods from Embden, into the interior part of Germany; but the King of Prussia protects the trade of Embden so vigorously, that all goods sent from Embden, with suitable certificates, now pass free from seizure, and are respected as Prussian property.

All commercial letters between Norway and England now pass by the way of Gottenburg.

The proper effect of muriatic acid on the linens and cottons bleached with it, is about to be clearly demonstrated to the public, by the law, procured by Mr. Foster, which enjoins, that the word "MURIATIC" shall be conspicuously stamped on linens bleached with preparations on this acid.

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The public debt of Ireland for the year ending January 5, 1804, was 43,019,325l.

The Bank of Ireland makes a dividend of $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. on their stock, for the six months which ended June 24.

The half yearly dividend on the stock of the East India Company, for the six months from January 5th to July 5th, 1804, is to be $5\frac{1}{4}$ per cent.

The prices of the French 5 per Cents. continue to fluctuate about 57.

Omnium, in our Stock Exchange, was on Wednesday, June 27, at $4\frac{1}{2}$ premium; the Reduced 3 per Cents. at $55\frac{3}{4}$; the 4 per Cent. Consols, at $72\frac{5}{8}$.

A canal company is about to be instituted, of which it will be the object to employ their capital in purchasing and completing the canals, otherwise about to be left unfinished by the first undertakers.

The average price of sugar for the week ending June 20th, was 56s. 7d. per cwt.—New castle coals are, in the pool, 46s. and are delivered at 60s. per chaldron.

Hides of leather for cutting are at 22d. per lb.; calf-skins at 32 to 33d. per lb.; seal skins at from 51 to 54d. per lb.

An ACCOUNT of the OFFICIAL or RATED VALUE of BRITISH PRODUCE and MANUFACTURES exported from GREAT BRITAIN, during the last FIVE YEARS; distinguishing each YEAR, and the principal ARTICLES exported.

SPECIES OF GOODS.	1799.	1800.	1801.	1802.	1803.
	Value.	Value.	Value.	Value.	Value.
Apparel	108,386	96,556	68,814	110,253	94,648
Bark, Oak	63,434	63,549	47,364	38,986	36,081
Beer	91,187	86,043	77,026	76,956	58,805
Brass, Wrought	345,611	419,507	364,745	408,115	318,486
Candles	79,927	46,892	48,753	38,031	36,848
Coals	473,840	530,508	477,620	536,415	510,825
Copper, Wrought.....	515,967	514,216	511,919	669,393	482,909
Cottons	5,556,554	5,323,834	6,465,173	7,130,904	6,467,198
Fish	251,418	253,267	236,295	192,303	115,025
Glass	174,158	195,066	218,655	179,902	162,726
Haberdashery.....	144,978	129,074	111,964	109,308	71,101
Hats, Beaver.....	280,989	261,157	194,406	227,251	173,324
— Felt	155,120	137,113	149,748	139,136	104,809
Hops	55,050	60,241	77,016	98,099	60,759
Iron, Bar	26,902	28,514	30,018	54,969	53,304
— Wrought, Cast, &c.	1,488,074	1,570,820	1,417,715	1,616,204	1,218,038
Lead	164,838	139,996	171,967	174,626	146,398
Leather, Wrought	151,310	98,370	95,647	97,168	80,616
Linens	1,115,305	807,572	1,009,194	895,156	561,310
Oil, Train.....	31,334	105,770	61,892	147,868	41,228
Pewter	121,320	113,330	110,305	67,650	54,168
Salt	182,299	197,872	270,817	219,274	160,804
Silks	305,803	296,826	280,482	232,445	154,741
Soap	108,956	95,685	77,769	91,480	57,295
Steel	180,597	121,808	136,082	123,887	121,193
Stationary	69,890	60,997	48,010	64,133	51,915
Stockings, Thread, Cotton, and Silk, mixed ..	199,264	180,834	219,184	243,371	167,431
Sugar, Refined	342,958	1,105,548	935,935	1,492,319	1,541,658
Tin	215,695	249,842	226,935	279,168	221,567
Woollen Goods.....	6,435,423	6,918,175	7,321,236	6,487,263	5,291,441
Yarn, Cotton	302,734	528,014	476,106	536,031	744,250
All other Articles....	4,343,892	3,567,287	3,761,017	4,215,150	2,889,200
Total	24,084,213	24,384,283	5,699,809	26,993,129	22,252,101

An ACCOUNT of the OFFICIAL or RATED VALUE of all FOREIGN MERCHANTIZE exported from GREAT BRITAIN during the last FIVE YEARS; distinguishing each YEAR, and the principal ARTICLES exported.

	1799.	1800.	1801.	1802.	1803.
Borax	£. 2,406	£. 7,559	£. 42,454	£. 60,350	£. 86,359
Brandy.....	34,494	52,140	37,759	29,628	40,049
Cinnamon	95,994	145,009	109,622	142,735	124,288
Cloves	52,774	133,142	109,893	112,709	80,284
Coffee	147,150	165,337	64,194	183,132	54,601
Coffee	4,034,873	8,679,886	7,761,606	8,133,299	3,823,583
Hemp, Rough	9,065	8,032	6,094	45,919	6,898
Indigo	517,585	510,075	445,855	400,088	225,941
Iron, Bar.....	90,604	66,775	53,191	87,822	47,471
Linens	04,876	508,826	587,392	441,774	267,550
Piece Goods of India. { Calicoes ..	1,033,379	1,339,622	978,231	1,541,646	1,483,264
	Muslins ..	342,866	579,501	579,323	276,729
	Nankeens..	28,895	37,158	44,306	81,708
	Prohibited	662,128	708,653	787,313	487,703
Pepper.....	134,520	374,071	149,531	312,388	238,744
Pimento	34,840	48,382	36,834	26,990	28,148
Rice.....	44,614	6,390	20,789	210,276	54,310
Rhubarb	51,182	58,910	129,541	153,261	75,483
Rum	386,521	431,599	388,486	390,773	196,876
Saltpetre	52,649	27,806	34,148	116,861	56,916
Skins and Furs	63,702	81,284	86,288	81,861	54,100
Sugar	1,052,634	2,361,332	1,576,666	2,740,388	1,817,443
Tea	685,599	456,482	710,439	621,659	568,664
Tobacco	347,115	627,968	493,438	515,120	337,444
Wine, Portugal	38,904	35,513	44,760	44,819	31,391
Spanish, and all other Wines	91,611	157,474	141,522	58,214	69,789
Wool, Cotton	28,972	177,144	70,623	161,525	60,917
All other Articles	930,848	1,061,635	1,111,584	1,364,108	860,495
Total	11,907,116	18,847,735	16,601,892	19,127,833	11,537,148
Deduct, over Estimate on Coffee	2,350,972	5,031,898	4,514,845	4,708,996	2,213,891
	9,556,144	13,815,837	2,167,0047	14,418,837	9,323,257

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MONTHLY AGRICULTURAL REPORT.

THE clovers for hay are all cut, and nearly carried. The crop is various; mostly shorter than usual, but thick on the ground. Meadow hay is generally begun to be mown.—The crop good. Nearly all the Swedish turnips have been destroyed by the fly: we must wait for rain to sow the land again. Corn of all sorts has come on finely since last month, except on the hot soils, which have wanted rain, and in those places where the wire-worm had begun its ravages, the land makes a poor appearance. The wheat blooms very finely; and, if we have no frosty night, promises an abundant crop on good wheat land; perhaps in about five weeks some reaping may be begun.—Average price of Corn throughout England and Wales.—Wheat, 5s. 9d.—Rye, 3s. 1d. Barley, 2s. 3d.—Oats, 2s. 3d.—Beans, 3s.; 1d.—Pease, 3s. 8d.

Where white Dutch clover has been saved for seed (a practice becoming pretty general) it promises favourably for crop; and may, perhaps, be ripe in about a fortnight. The broad clovers grow rapidly from the scythe.—Hay averages in St. James's-market, 3l. 10s. to 5l.—Straw, 1l. 10s. to 1l. 14s. 6d.—Whitechapel, Hay, 3l. 10s. to 5l.—Clover, 1l. 10s. to 1l. 14s. 6d.—Straw, 1l. 6s. to 1l. 14s.

Store stock of all sorts continues nearly the same as last month, except hogs, which come to market in great numbers, and are lower.—In Smithfield-market, Beef fetches from 4s. 4d. to 5s. 4d.—Mutton, 3s. 8d. to 4s. 4d.—Veal, 4s. 4d. to 5s. 4d.—Pork, 3s. 4d. to 4s. 4d.—Lamb, 5s. 4d. to 6s.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Observations on the State of the Weather, from the 24th of May to the 24th of June, 1804, inclusive, two Miles N. W. of St. Paul's.

Barometer.		Thermometer.	
Highest 30.45.	June 20 & 21.	Wind W	Highest 83°.
Lowest 29.60.	June 16.	Wind N.W.	Lowest 37½.
Greatest variation in 24 hours.	3-tenths of an inch.	Between the mornings of the 29th and 30th ult. the mercury rose from 29.70 to 30.00.	Greatest variation in 24 hours.
			13°.
			Early in the morning of the 10th inst. the mercury stood at 53°; at the same hour in the next, it was no higher than 40°.

The quantity of rain fallen during this month is very trifling, being equal only to 0.605 of an inch in depth.

The mean height of the barometer for the present month is equal to 30.045, which is higher than it has been any given month for a considerable time. The greater part of the rain that we have had, fell during the storm which happened in this neighbourhood, about noon, on the 10th instant.

The thermometer has averaged 63°. Some days have been very hot, and two or three nights were unusually cold. Between the 10th and 11th instant, the mercury stood as low as 37°½, and early in the morning on the 11th, there was a smart white frost.

For several hours in the afternoon and evening of the 24th, we had successive lightnings and thunder, but accompanied with very little rain in and near the metropolis. In some parts of Surrey and Hertfordshire, the storm was much more tremendous than was experienced in this neighbourhood.

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